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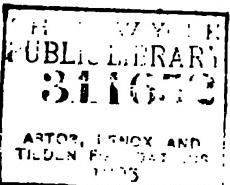
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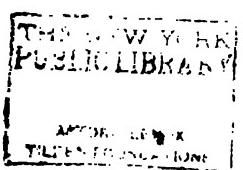
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OFFICIAL PLATE OF THE COAT-OF-ARMS.

The coat-of-arms adopted by the semi-centennial convention, 1898, was the result of a painstaking consultation of heraldic authorities, and it conforms to the fixed requirements of heraldry. The design is simple, and there is an avoidance of any overcrowded effect. The $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ character of the emblems is obvious to all, while to the initiated the armorial bearings symbolize the cardinal principles of the fraternity.

The arms were rather hurriedly engraved, so that impressions might be used for inserts in college annuals published during 1898-99. The bend and the stars were not properly shaded, and the open motto was not properly accented. The engraver did not follow directions in regard to the upper part of the visor, and, without authority, placed a small crescent on the front of the helmet.

The national convention of 1902 decided that a new plate of the arms should be made by 'some well-known engraver,' and that it should be the official plate. The general council decided upon The Dreka Company, of Philadelphia, to do the work, and appointed Bro. W. B. Palmer to give directions in regard to the matter. While in Philadelphia last spring he called on the company a number of times, and his most minute instructions were followed. Drawing and proofs were submitted also to Dr. J. E. Brown, P. G. C., for criticism. The plate was finished in August.

The frontispiece of this number of *THE SCROLL* is an impression from the new steel plate, which will hereafter be known as the official plate of the coat-of-arms. The new plate is larger than the old one, and the engraving is much superior. We are sure that not only will it give entire satisfaction but will excite general admiration.

Impressions from the new plate should be used in all college annuals issued this collegiate year at institutions where

Φ Δ Θ has chapters. They may be obtained from The Dreka Company, 1121 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa. This company has a long established and widely extended reputation for fine work, especially for fine steel engraving. Its artists and engravers thoroughly understand the peculiarities of executing designs for Greek-letter fraternities, and the company has done more work for such fraternities than any other company or firm or individual engraver in the United States.

By order of the General Council, the charter plate of Φ Δ Θ was engraved in 1888 by Louis Dreka, predecessor of The Dreka Company. This plate is still in good condition, but hereafter the new arms will appear at the top of the design, where there was a mortise for the old arms to be inserted.

JOHN WATSON FOSTER, INDIANA, '55.

Honorable John W. Foster, diplomat, statesman and counsellor to nations, is perhaps the most widely known the world over of Phi Delta Theta's living sons. Coming into manhood in the troubous days preceding the Civil War, his career began in stirring times, and, after meritorious service in the federal army, he soon won distinction as a public servant and entered upon the work for which he has seemed to be peculiarly fitted by nature and by training—the field of diplomacy. His brilliant record as his country's representative is one long list of splendid achievements in the handling and negotiation at foreign courts of matters and questions of the gravest import to the United States. His signal capability for these high duties has for a number of years been a matter of wide recognition, attested by the demand for his services as counsellor in international complications by many foreign nations.

John Watson Foster was born in Pike county, Indiana, March 2, 1836, a son of Judge M. W. Foster. Entering the University of Indiana at Bloomington in 1851, he was graduated in 1855 with the degree A. B., the degree A. M. being conferred on him three years afterward by the same institution, and the degree LL. D. in later years by Princeton, Yale and Wabash. After a year in Harvard Law School he was admitted to the bar at Evansville, Ind. The war came on and he entered the federal army as a major of the Twenty-fifth Indiana Infantry. Afterward he became lieutenant-colonel and colonel, commanding an entire division



HON. JOHN W. FOSTER, INDIANA, '55.

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under General Burnside, and before the close of the war was breveted a brigadier-general for meritorious conduct. After the war, as editor of the Evansville *Journal*, he first came into political prominence, and in 1869 was appointed postmaster of Evansville. He was a prominent figure in the Republican national convention of 1872, and in 1873 was appointed to his first diplomatic post, the ministry to Mexico. This he filled with marked ability, and remained until 1880, when he was promoted to the St. Petersburg portfolio. He resigned the Russian post the following year in order to return to the United States to look after private business. In accepting his resignation, Mr. Blaine, then Secretary of State, took occasion to make profuse expressions of appreciation of his services to the nation. General Foster established his headquarters in Washington, where he undertook special commissions for the United States and for foreign countries. From 1883 to 1885 he was minister to Spain; and in 1891 special plenipotentiary of the United States to negotiate reciprocity treaties with Brazil, Spain, Germany and the British West Indies. At the time of Mr. Blaine's resignation from the cabinet in 1892, Mr. Foster was engaged as agent of the United States in adjusting trade relations with Canada. His ripe experience as a diplomat and his acquaintance with the affairs of the department made his appointment as Secretary of State to succeed Mr. Blaine peculiarly fitting, and it met with uncommonly prompt and enthusiastic approval at the hands of the Senate. The change of administration in 1893, while removing him from office, did not interrupt his diplomatic work. At once he became the special agent of the United States in the Belring Sea arbitration at Paris. In 1897 the Emperor of China, in the settlement of China's war with Japan, retained him as special counsellor and adviser to the Chinese peace envoys. Again, in 1897, General Foster represented his own government as ambassador on a special mission to Great Britain and Russia, and in 1898 he was a member of the Anglo-Canadian commission in the matter of the Alaskan boundary. At this writing, when the question of the Alaskan boundary is again a subject of arbitration between Canada and the United States, and the commissioners for the two countries are sitting in London, he is again present, on this occasion as counsel for the American side.

Mr. Foster is recognized as an authority on matters of American diplomacy, and his two books on the subject, 'A

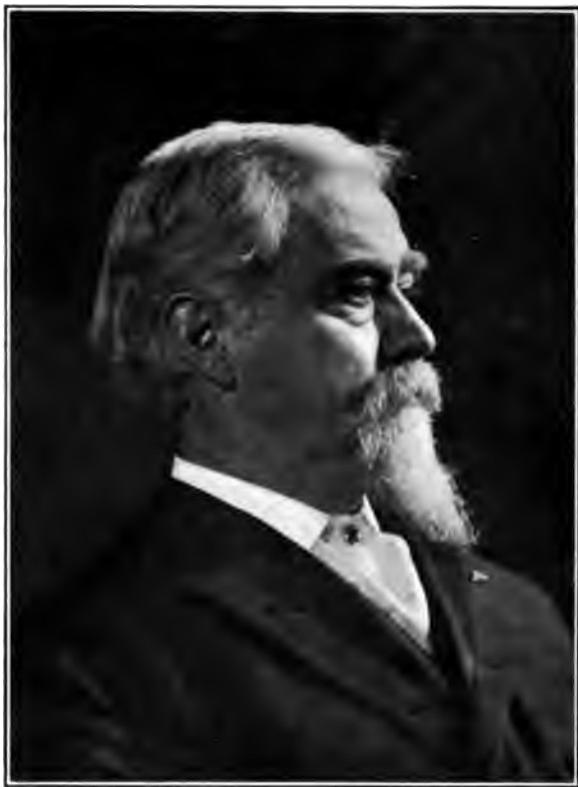
'Century of American Diplomacy,' published in 1900, and 'American Diplomacy in the Orient,' published during the current year, are valued historical works. No man, perhaps, is better qualified to write on our political relations with the Far East than Mr. Foster, and his latest work fills a recognized need and is regarded a most important contribution to the history of American politics.

Mr. Foster was initiated into Phi Delta Theta by Indiana Alpha chapter at the University of Indiana during his sophomore year. He was an enthusiastic member and through his energy and enterprise left a strong impress on the chapter. In after years he has retained an interest in Phi Delta Theta and has contributed to THE SCROLL. A notable contribution was an article in the number for April, 1901, concerning President Benjamin Harrison, in whose cabinet he had served as Secretary of State, both being members of Phi Delta Theta.

GENERAL JOHN CHARLES BLACK, WABASH, '62.

General John C. Black was born in Granada, Miss., January 27, 1839. His father was John Black, D. D., who spent his manhood life in the ministry of the Presbyterian church. His mother was Josephine Louise Culbertson. Both father and mother were from Pennsylvania, and on both sides the ancestry runs back to revolutionary stock and to the early days of the colonies. By the death of his father in 1847, when but thirty-seven years of age, John C. was left the eldest of four small children, with a widowed mother, who later passed away at the age of seventy-five years. In the year of the father's death the family moved to the State of Illinois, with no heritage but an honored name and a stalwart Christian character.

In 1858 General Black entered Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana, in the last year of the preparatory course, and remained a student of that institution until April, 1861. On the morning on which the news reached the college that Fort Sumter had been fired on, he volunteered as a private in the Montgomery Guards, an organization which a few days later was mustered into the federal army, at Indianapolis, as Co. I, 11th Indiana Volunteer Infantry, Colonel (afterward Major General) Lew Wallace commanding. Of this regiment Mr. Black was made sergeant-major, and so served during the four months prior to the regiment's re-enlistment for three years' service. At



GENERAL JOHN C. BLACK, WABASH, '62.
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once, on leaving the 11th Indiana, the young soldier returned to his home at Danville, Illinois, and entered upon the work of raising a company. He was successful, and on September 18, 1861, his company mustered into service at Chicago as Co. K, 37th Illinois Volunteer Infantry, Colonel (afterward Major General) Julius White commanding. Of this regiment he was elected major, and was mustered in with that rank on the same date. It was but a short time until Colonel White was made a brigade commander, when by virtue of his experience it fell to Major Black to take charge of the drilling of the regiment, in its preparation for active service.

On March 8, 1862, in the fiercely contested battle of Pea Ridge, Ark., Major Black was in command of the left wing of the regiment, and not only had his horse shot under him, but was severely wounded in the right fore-arm by a minie ball. From this shot such injury resulted that eventually, in 1876 and 1877, he was subjected to two operations. However, in 1862, after a convalescence of about six weeks following the battle of Pea Ridge, he returned to active duty with his regiment, and was made lieutenant-colonel upon the promotion of Colonel White to be brigadier-general. Remaining continuously thereafter with the regiment until December 8, 1862, Colonel Black, while commanding the regiment in the bloody battle of Prairie Grove, Ark., was again dangerously wounded by a ball. It passed through the upper left arm, shattering the bone and carrying away so much of it that an operation was resorted to, resulting in total disability of the member. Recovery from this wound was slow, but after an absence of three months Mr. Black returned to his regiment as colonel, and served with it until the close of the war, taking part in the siege of Vicksburg, the Yazoo river campaign, the Red river campaign, the operations of the army along the Mexican frontier in 1863 64, and the siege of Mobile. In this latter period he was promoted to the command of a brigade, and led it in person in the grand charge upon the Blakely batteries, which successfully ended the last general engagement of the great Civil War.

Returning to his home in August, 1865, after a few weeks of rest, General Black commenced, in Chicago, in September, 1865, the study of the law, to practice which he was licensed by the Supreme Court of Illinois, in January, 1867. He has been in the active practice of his profession

since that date, subject only to the interruptions incident to public service. He was elected and served one term as congressman at large from a strongly republican State, although a democrat. Later he served for four years as commissioner of pensions, his administration of the important duties of that office being distinguished by an intelligent devotion to duty, and a conspicuous ability unsurpassed by any other incumbent of that office; and still later he served for more than a full term of four years as United States attorney for the northern district of Illinois. In all these services he so deported himself that no whisper of scandal ever touched his record. Honest, fair, able, he has performed faithfully and well every duty that has fallen to him. He has been much in the public eye and is known as a man of strong character; he is also a finished orator, of wide experience and of national reputation.

His recent election at the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, occurring as it did by a unanimous vote, was a fitting appreciation of his services to his old comrades since his return to civil life. He is now commander-in-chief of the G. A. R. and a past department commander for Illinois.

General Black was initiated into Phi Delta Theta by Indiana Beta chapter in June, 1859. He has attended many $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ gatherings, and is a very loyal member of the fraternity, as the Phis of Chicago will bear abundant testimony. He is very proud of the fact that the first $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ badge made with a sword was presented to him in 1866, when the sword attachment was first worn.

JAMES CLARKE McREYNOLDS, VANDERBILT, '82.

Before his appointment as assistant attorney-general of the United States, last spring, the career of Bro. James Clarke McReynolds had already been one of great honor to Phi Delta Theta. For nearly twenty years at the Nashville bar he had held an enviable position for his commanding personality, his abundant research and his skill and success in his profession. He was born in Kentucky about forty-two years ago, and came to Vanderbilt University, from which in 1882 he graduated with the degree of B. S. and the highest university honors. Soon after his entrance into the university he was initiated by Tennessee Alpha, and he became a leader in his chapter and college life. In 1884 he



HON. JAMES CLARKE McREYNOLDS, VANDERBILT, '82.
Assistant Attorney-General of the United States.

was graduated from the law department of the University of Virginia, and then spent one year in Washington, as private secretary to Senator (later Associate Justice) Howell E. Jackson, of Tennessee. At the bar in Nashville his great natural ability and wealth of scholarly equipment early brought him to the front rank, a position which he steadfastly maintained. As a citizen he is celebrated for his great independence of all narrow partisanship or unworthy concession for temporary advantage. He has taken part in every movement for civic righteousness, and has been notably free from the arts of the demagogue. In 1896, although he had always been a democrat, he made a brilliant, though unsuccessful, race for congress upon the sound money platform in opposition to the regular democratic nominee. In the social life of the city he has been a dignified participant, and his interest in Phi Delta Theta has always been keen and sincere. He loves the fraternity and his brothers in the Bond, and finds delight in attending alumni gatherings, where he is always glad to attest his loyalty. On last Alumni Day, at the meeting of our Nashville club, he made a notable speech, setting forth the delights and benefits of fraternity life. When his appointment to his present high station was announced his many friends and brothers mingled with their congratulations many regrets over their loss of association with him.

With his fully demonstrated ability and great energy and force of will, Bro. McReynolds will surely adorn his place and ably represent the government in the difficult and peculiar work of litigating the great questions growing out of modern industrial combinations. The office is regarded as a stepping-stone to higher things, and in this prospect his friends will probably not be disappointed.

JOHN H. DEWITT.

JOHN TRACY MORRISON, WOOSTER, '87.

Governor John T. Morrison, of Idaho, is a good example of eastern energy and character transplanted to the great and growing West—or, more properly speaking, to the great Northwest—a land of present prosperity and still richer future. Born in Pennsylvania, educated in Ohio, trained for his profession in New York, he chose as the field for the work to which he felt himself called the far West, and at the age of thirty years removed to the State of Idaho. While still a young man, his career has been one of active usefulness



HON. JOHN T. MORRISON, WOOSTER. '87,
Governor of Idaho.

and distinction, and he finds himself today a forceful factor in the progress and development in that region of wonderful promise, which the other sections of our country, in their admiration, call 'the great Northwest.'

John Tracy Morrison was born December 25, 1860, on a farm in Washington township, Jefferson county, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the common schools of that State, and attended for brief periods the state normal school at Edinboro, Erie county, and the preparatory school of Alfred University, Alfred Center, N. Y. Subsequently he engaged in teaching, and became principal of the high school in Brockwayville, Pa. Later on he completed his preparation for college in the preparatory department of the University of Wooster, at Wooster, Ohio, and in due course entered the collegiate department there in 1883. He was graduated with the class of 1887 with the bachelor's degree, and three years later the degree A. M. was conferred upon him. As an undergraduate at Wooster he took an active part in student affairs, and won particular preference on the college press. During his course he was editor of the Wooster *Collegian*, and in his senior year founded and published the *Student Statesman*. While yet an undergraduate Mr. Morrison found his life's partner in the person of Miss Grace Darling Mackey, of Trumbull county, Ohio, who also was a student at Wooster and a member of Mr. Morrison's own class. They were married in 1886, and two children have been born to them—Mary Louise and John M.

After graduating at Wooster, Mr. Morrison was elected to the presidency of the Macon Masonic College, at Macon, Tenn., where he remained one year. His incumbency of the presidential chair was highly successful, and he was offered every inducement to remain. However, he had early chosen the profession of law, and determined to take up his professional course at once. Accordingly, in the fall of 1889, he entered the law school of Cornell University, where his record was one of the highest order. Besides filling the post of law librarian, Mr. Morrison took graduate work independent of his regular course, and succeeded in graduating with the law class of 1890 with first honors, taking the first thesis prize.

In 1890 Mr. Morrison removed to Idaho and opened an office in Caldwell, his present home and began the active practice of the profession. He early took an interest in politics,

and in 1894 represented his county (Canyon) upon the Republican state central committee. In 1896, when the organization was demoralized by the free silver movement, he was instrumental in reorganizing the Republican forces and was elected secretary of the state committee. When the state convention of that year was held, he was given the nomination for congress, and made an active campaign of the State, knowing that he was leading a forlorn hope but deeply imbued with a determination to keep his party's cause alive and before the people. Defeat was inevitable. However, in 1897, his services to the party were recognized by his being made chairman of the Republican state committee, and as such chairman he conducted the campaign of 1898, in which the Republican vote of the State was increased over that of 1896 by more than one hundred per cent. In 1900 he was again nominated for congress, and, while the entire ticket was defeated and he went down with the rest, a change of 526 votes would have elected him. In 1902 he received the nomination for governor, and, after an exciting campaign, was elected by a majority of 6,000.

While his public activities have been more especially in the field of politics, Mr. Morrison has also taken an active interest in church and educational work. Prominent in the councils of the Presbyterian church, he has twice been a commissioner to the General Assembly of that church, in 1892 and in 1897. As governor of Idaho, his opportunities are manifold to serve the public school system of his State, and its capstone, the University of Idaho at Moscow. To these duties he brings his most energetic and whole-hearted enthusiasm, and the State University, already an institution of great usefulness, under his influence is making rapid strides and enjoys encouraging consideration at the hands of the commonwealth.

During his freshman year at Wooster, Bro. Morrison was initiated into Ohio Delta chapter. He became an enthusiastic worker for Phi Delta Theta, and was his chapter's delegate to the New York convention of 1886. During his senior year, 1886-87, he held a general office of the fraternity, being president of Delta province. He has a brother who is a $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, W. Z. Morrison, *Cornell*, '87, of Pittsburg, Pa. Mrs. Morrison is a member of K A Θ .

**THE RIGHT REVEREND CHARLES MINNIGERODE
BECKWITH, D. D.**

Charles Minnigerode Beckwith was born in Petersburg, Va., June, 1852. He attended the University of Georgia, from which institution he was graduated a B. A. in 1873. Immediately after his graduation he became assistant professor of mathematics and subsequently head master of the Sewanee grammar school of the University of the South. He occupied this position six years, leaving behind him an enduring memory of sturdy Christian manliness and tactful power of control. Leaving Sewanee he entered into the study of theology at the Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown, Conn.

Finishing his course there, he was ordained in Atlanta, by the Right Reverend John W. Beckwith, D. D., Bishop of Georgia, his uncle, and he was one of the clergy staff of St. Luke's Cathedral until 1886. He then accepted the rectorship of Christ Church, Houston, Texas. While rector of this church he was elected assistant bishop of Texas, but declined the appointment. He remained at Houston, until 1892, when he became the general missionary of the Diocese of Texas. In this position he traveled widely in the State and showed himself to be an indefatigable worker, as well as possessing a remarkable faculty of organization and of controlling men. He also had the power of thorough system, which was felt through all his work, and was most marked perhaps in his influence on young men and boys of the church choir and Sunday school. Later he re-entered parish work and became the rector of Trinity Church, Galveston, the largest and most important parish in Texas, and when the city was swept by a terrible tidal wave he gave further evidence of his public-spirited resourcefulness, in his untiring efforts to relieve the suffering of that unfortunate city. In 1901 he again became general missionary of Texas, from which charge he was called by election in the Diocese of Alabama to be their bishop, and was consecrated to that office on December 17, 1902, in St. John's church, Montgomery, Ala.

Our Reverend Brother Beckwith is our first Phi Delta Theta bishop, so far as we are able to ascertain. He has served the church in Texas faithfully and well, and was one of the foremost, if not the foremost among the ranks of the clergy. He is a man of very considerable strength, energy



Courtesy of the Churchman.

THE REVEREND C. M. BECKWITH, D. D., GEORGIA, '73.
Bishop of Alabama.

and force of character and is an able and efficient preacher. He has shown himself a man accustomed to command and in his life one worthy to rule.

During his pastoral life he became the author of 'The Trinity Course of Church Instruction' and 'The Teacher's Companion to the Trinity Course.' In 1902 the University of the South conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity and the following year Berkeley Divinity School conferred the same degree.

While in college, and for years afterward, Bro. Beckwith was a very active worker for Phi Delta Theta. He was a charter member of the chapter at the University of Georgia in 1871. He was his chapter's delegate at the quarto-centennial national convention at Athens, Ohio, 1873, and was assistant secretary of the convention. At the national convention at Crawfordsville, Ind., 1874, he was first vice-president, and at the national convention at Danville, Ky., he was president and necrologist. He came to the Danville convention from Sewanee, bringing from Nashville Lytton Taylor, who was initiated at the convention, and who became the original charter member of the Vanderbilt chapter. He was the orator at the province convention held at Atlanta, 1880, and was elected first vice-president of the province. At the national convention at Richmond, Va., 1882, he was one of the speakers in the public literary exercises, supplying the place of Founder Robert Morrison, who was absent. At this convention he strongly recommended that a chapter be established at Sewanee. The convention referred the matter to the Vanderbilt chapter, which organized a chapter at Sewanee within six months. During 1882-'83, Bro. Beckwith was president of the province which included Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Texas. That we may know his loyalty to Phi Delta Theta continues, we quote a sentence from a recent letter: 'I trust that the fraternity will bless others as it has blessed me in my student life.' Bro. Beckwith, as Bishop of Alabama, resides in Anniston. We extend to him our hearty congratulations and wish him a long and prosperous episcopate.

CALEB B. K. WEED.

ALSTON ELLIS, PH. D., LL. D., MIAMI, '67.

One of the distinguishing features of Phi Delta Theta, which is pointed to with pride by the wearers of the sword and shield, is the number of eminent men among its alumni. They are found in every walk of life, and it is a gratification that the list is constantly increasing. Those who have subscribed to its principles and kept the fraternity spirit ever dear through the cares and perplexities of busy lives have occupied places from the chief executiveship of the nation down. Their counsel has been felt and heeded in the president's cabinet, in the halls of congress, on the bench, in the leading educational institutions of the country, at the bar, as captains of industry—in fact in every calling where brains and ability force their possessor to the front.

In the field of education Phi Delta Theta felicitates itself upon having so able and prominent a worker as Dr. Alston Ellis, president of Ohio University at Athens. As an educator his achievements are little short of marvelous. His efforts have at all times been along original lines as college president, as the originator of ideas in public school work, and as author of educational works his reputation is national. The enviable position he occupies is the result of his own efforts, his untiring energy, and his devotion to the cause of education, which he so signally graces and dignifies.

While at all times attracting widespread attention as an educator, Dr. Ellis's achievements since his accession to the presidency of Ohio University in July, 1901, have brought him more prominently before the educational world and have added a capstone to his already enviable record. As chief executive of this institution some of the most far-reaching educational work of his life has been accomplished. Not only has it redounded to the benefit of Ohio University, but it benefits the whole cause of education and marks a grand era in the educational history of Ohio.

Largely through the activity, executive ability, and knowledge of men possessed by Dr. Ellis, the legislature of Ohio has established normal colleges at Ohio University, Athens, and Miami University, Oxford. The annual revenue granted these institutions by the legislative enactment known as the 'Seese Bill' amounts to \$66,000. Dr. Ellis was the author of the bill and labored unceasingly for its passage by the general assembly. By the provisions of the bill Ohio

University gets seven-twelfths and Miami University five-twelfths of the annual appropriation.

The best indication of the effective work which Dr. Ellis has done for the institution over which he now presides is in the largely increased attendance of students. The total enrolment for the college-year ending June 18, 1903, was 551. Immediately following the close of the college-year came the opening of the summer school. This was attended by 423 students in collegiate classes and 104 in the training school. This far exceeds any previous attendance at Ohio University and bespeaks the high regard in which the president of the institution is held throughout the state.

Some idea of the strenuous and active life led by Dr. Ellis in his present position may be formed when it is known that in the economy of Ohio University the president of the institution is also president of the board of trustees as well as a voting member. Ex-officio he is also chairman of the most important committees—finance, buildings and grounds, employes and salaries. He is accordingly hampered in no-wise and is enabled to see the fruition of all his ideas for the advancement and the upbuilding of the institution whose policy he directs. Results show how well he has served it.

Dr. Ellis's efforts to upbuild Ohio University and the cause of education are not hedged about by the functions of his executive office. His efforts have a wider scope. Within the last two years he has delivered addresses in nearly every portion of Ohio. His ability as an orator and thinker have made him much in demand as a public speaker. Four of his lectures, 'Education and Service,' 'The Cultivation of the Senses,' 'Our Schools and Our Country,' and 'Debt, A Lecture for the Times,' rank with the efforts of such platform orators as Wendling, Watterson, and Cochran.

When Dr. Ellis was called to the presidency of Ohio University it was for a three years' term of service. So distinguished and effective have been the results of his labors that last June the board of trustees extended the term to July 1, 1906, and unanimously tendered him a vote of thanks for the able conduct of the affairs of his office.

Dr. Alston Ellis is a Kentuckian. He was born in Kenton county, January 26, 1847. Like so many of Kentucky's prominent families his forbears came of old Virginia stock that made its impress upon the strenuous times when the nation had its birth. His great grandfather after the close of the revolutionary war, in which he served throughout,



DR. ALSTON ELLIS, MIAMI, '67.
President of Ohio University.

moved to Kentucky with his family. Rev. John Ellis, grandfather of Dr. Ellis was born in Virginia, but spent his life principally in Kentucky, and in Ohio and Indiana, where he was well known. Though resident of a slave State he had the courage of his convictions and strongly opposed slavery.

Absalom Ellis, father of Dr. Ellis, was born in Kenton county, Kentucky. On his mother's side he came of sturdy Dutch descent and on that of his father his ancestry traces back to hardy Scotch progenitors. He married his cousin, Mary Ellis, whose mother, a Miss Susan Arnold, came of Scotch parentage. Her father, William G. Ellis, was one of the largest landowners and wealthiest men in Kenton county. He owned a large number of slaves, but was opposed to the institution on principle. When his slaves left one night and escaped to Ohio he made no effort to capture them. Absalom Ellis moved to Covington in 1863 and engaged in the manufacture of tobacco. In 1888 he returned to his farm in Kenton county and died there in 1894, at the age of 70 years.

Alston Ellis was the only child of his parents. At an early age he evinced a lively interest in securing an education despite the meager advantages then offered. Though the schools were far inferior to those of today he secured a good foundation upon which to build the deep learning of which he is the possessor.

When fifteen years old he moved to Covington with his parents where he attended a private school conducted by S. Mead, a noted teacher of the old school. Under the tutelage of this pioneer educator he prepared for college. To better prepare himself for the higher education which he always had in view, Dr. Ellis taught a country school near Carrollton, Kentucky, for five months. The compensation allowed by the school district which he served was eight dollars, but through the voluntary subscription of the patrons of the school his salary was increased to forty dollars per month. At the expiration of the term he returned to Covington and was employed in the tobacco factory conducted by his father.

The excellent preparation he had received, and his natural aptitude for acquiring knowledge enabled him to enter the sophomore class of Miami University in 1864, at the age of seventeen. Three years later he graduated with honor from this institution. His college course was marked with

unusual success and punctuated with numerous honors. He especially excelled in the classics and gained distinction as an orator and debater. Four times during his senior year he was called upon to deliver public addresses. In addition to this honor he was selected by the student body to deliver the annual oration on Washington's birthday, a distinction accorded only those whose work in college had been distinguished for general excellence.

Dr. Ellis's marriage to Miss Katherine Ann Cox occurred July 23, 1867, shortly after his graduation. Mrs. Ellis is the daughter of Capt. Abram P. and Elizabeth Cox. Capt. Cox gained his title through gallant service in the Union army. At the time of his death, in 1872, he was one of the most prominent lawyers at the Butler county bar.

Dr. Ellis began his career as an educator in September after graduation at Miami University. It has since been a series of unbroken successes. His first educational work was as principal of a ward school at Covington, and his subsequent rise has been rapid. Principal of a school in Newport, Ky.; eight years as superintendent of schools of Hamilton, Ohio, which position he resigned to accept one with Harper Brothers, at a salary of \$3,000; seven years as superintendent of instruction at Sandusky, Ohio, followed by a call to his former position as superintendent of schools of Hamilton, at an advanced salary of \$3,000 per year, give some idea of the upward trend of his career in educational work.

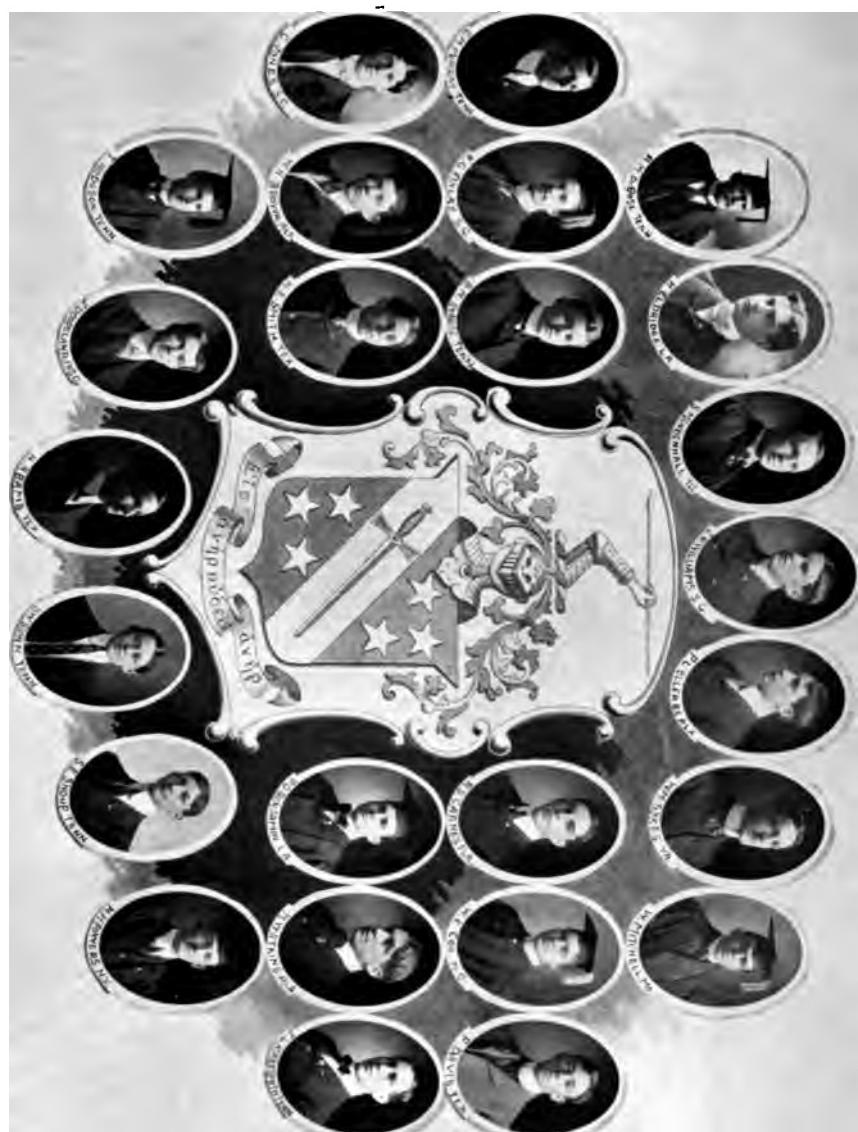
Different educational institutions have honored Dr. Ellis by the conferring of degrees upon him. In 1872 he was made Master of Arts by Miami University and the same year delivered the diplomas to the graduating members of the Erodelphian and Miami Union literary societies. Wooster University, in 1879, honored him with the degree of Doctor of Philosophy and Ohio State University conferred a similar degree in 1888. Two years later Ohio State University added another honor with the degree of Doctor of Laws, and in 1894, his alma mater complimented him by conferring the same degree. In 1880 the work of Dr. Ellis attracted the attention of the Victoria Institute, the philosophic society of Great Britain. He was made a member of this exclusive organization and later became a life member, a distinction that has been accorded few educators in this country. Queen Victoria before her death was a noted patron of the Victoria Institute.

In January, 1892, Dr. Ellis was called to the presidency of the State Agricultural College of Colorado, after declining an invitation to become its president in 1891. He accepted the second call for a five years' term of service at a salary of \$6,000 per year. At the close of the college year of 1891, the institution had 106 students. At the close of the year 1898 the attendance had increased to 347. During the incumbency of Dr. Ellis the course of study was broadened and the standard of the institution raised in every particular.

At the annual meeting of the college trustees held December 14, 1898, Dr. Ellis was re-elected for a term extending to September 1, 1901. His election was the occasion of congratulation and felicitation not only in Fort Collins, the location of the State Agricultural College of Colorado, but throughout the state upon which during his seven years' residence he had left an indelible impress. Political fusion in Colorado placed three Populists on the board of trustees of the institution. The result was the rescinding of the action of the last meeting extending Dr. Ellis's term to 1901. Dr. Ellis made no contest and requested his friends on the board to vote for some one else. His retirement was regretted by friends of education all over Colorado and especially in Fort Collins. The action at the called meeting was condemned by the press of Colorado and the loss of Dr. Ellis was deprecated in numerous editorials. He returned to Ohio in February, 1900, and occupied his beautiful home, 'The Heights,' in Hamilton. He at once resumed his place of prominence in the educational circles of Ohio. His election by the board of trustees of Ohio University as president occurred July 18, 1901. His work since that time has been part of the educational history of Ohio.

Phi Delta Theta is one of Dr. Ellis's cherished enthusiasms. A son of the parent chapter at Miami, he has ever taken a lively interest in the affairs of the fraternity. At the time he entered Miami our Ohio Alpha chapter was extinct. Associated, however with a classmate, now a prominent lawyer of Spokane, Wash., Judge James Zachary Moore, who had been initiated into $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ at Centre College, he revived the dormant chapter, and has ever afterward been one of the strongest factors in its progress. In 1880 he wrote a splendid article for *THE SCROLL* on the revival of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ at Miami, and in the same year was orator of the national convention at Indianapolis, his oration on the subject 'American Education,' being a notable effort. When the

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articles of incorporation of Phi Delta Theta, under the laws of Ohio, were filed on March 12, 1881, the name of Alston Ellis headed the list of incorporators. In 1899 he again took part in the fraternity's public exercises, as one of the speakers at the $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ golden jubilee, at the birthplace of the fraternity and his own alma mater—Miami.

EDWIN M. WATSON.

PHI DELTA THETA MEN AT POUGHKEEPSIE.

As in former years, Phi Delta Theta has just cause to feel proud of her record in 1903 at the great intercollegiate regatta on the Hudson. Indeed, the visitor found Phis on the river and off of it at Poughkeepsie during the boat race season, including crew captains, oarsmen, local officials and partisans of the several institutions which met on the river in one of the greatest series of races in the history of the Intercollegiate Rowing Association. It was naturally impossible to determine exactly how many Phis saw the races or visited the town during regatta week. The writer personally met forty-nine, representing nine different institutions, and there were many others. Returning from the Highland shore after the 'varsity race two Phi pins were seen on the crowded ferry boat, and before the identity of the wearers could be established they were lost in the veritable mob. Still another man proudly wearing the argent and azure pledge button was seen to board the special train to New York, which brought up thousands of spectators just before the races began and hurried them off again to the south immediately after the last race. A fair estimate of the Phi Delta Theta men at the races is about seventy-five.

The visitors came from classes graduated many years ago as well as those of comparatively recent years. In this particular the loyalty of the Cornell Phi was abundantly demonstrated, as the college sent eighteen Phis to the scene of the races from the class of '87 to that of '05. Among the Cornell delegation was Prof. William F. Durand, *Lansing*, '80, the faculty representative of the Cornell navy on the Athletic Council and a member of stewards of the Intercollegiate Rowing Association, which controls the regatta. Union sent four professional men, including Prof. Edward S. C. Harris, the superintendent of the Poughkeepsie public school system. The other colleges were also fittingly represented.

On the water and in the several shells the Phis were everywhere in evidence. It is not too much to say that the fraternity was better represented than any other among the oarsmen. There were nineteen men connected with the various crews. Of these two were assistant coaches, six were 'varsity oarsmen, four were 'varsity substitutes, four were freshman oarsmen, two were freshman substitutes, one was a judge at the finish of the 'varsity race and one was connected intimately with the management of the regatta. There were two 'varsity captains, two other ex-captains and still two other Phis who were subsequently elected the captains of the Cornell and Columbia boats for next year. This record, I believe, is unprecedented on the Hudson if it has not been surpassed in past years by Phi Delta Theta itself. The fraternity is certainly succeeding in furnishing the various universities with many of their best oarsmen.

In the 'varsity boat at Columbia there were John S. Maeder at bow, who is the captain for 1904, and Burritt N. Wheeler, who rowed at No. 7, displacing an Alpha Delta Phi man barely a fortnight before the race. Maeder is now a senior. He came to Columbia from the Horace Mann school in New York, rowed on the freshman crew at Poughkeepsie in 1901 and at No. 2 on the 'varsity crew in 1902. He was a substitute for end on the 'varsity football team last year and made the Nacoms the most important senior society at Columbia. Wheeler prepared for Columbia at the Collegiate Institute, New York. He is a junior, and rowed on his freshman class crew at Poughkeepsie in 1902. He stroked the second 'varsity boat this year, and is prominent in the college world. Edwin H. Updike, who stroked the 'varsity four-oared boat, prepared for Columbia at the Trinity school, New York. He rowed at bow in the 'varsity four race on the Hudson a year ago and rowed in the second 'varsity eight early in the year. He was a member of the exclusive junior ball committee and has held other student offices at the university. John Miller, who rowed in the freshman boat at No. 7, had previous rowing experience at the New York Athletic Club. He played at half-back on the 'varsity football team last autumn and is sure to win a seat in the Columbia 'varsity boat next year with Capt. Maeder and Bros. Wheeler and Updike, none of whom are lost by graduation. Arthur C. Purdy was a Phi substitute for the freshman boat and Bro. Edgar N. Dollin, of the

football squad, rowed for some time. Bro. Roland P. Jackson, who assisted Edward Hanlan in coaching the crews, was the captain of the 1902 boat, and is one of the best oarsmen that Columbia has ever turned out.

The captain of the victorious Cornell boat in the premier race was Bro. John P. Frenzel, Jr., of Indianapolis, Ind., who prepared for Cornell at the Indianapolis Manual Training School. He has rowed throughout his college course both in the four and eight-oared boats and sat in the victorious 'varsity eight at Poughkeepsie in 1902. Capt. Frenzel has endeared himself to Cornell by surrendering his seat in this year's boat to a freshman whom the captain considered a better oarsman than himself. The Cornell stroke oar, who was so highly praised for the race he rowed, was Bro. Albert R. Coffin, a present senior who came from the Indianapolis high school. Bro. Coffin is considered the best stroke Cornell has ever had in all her brilliant rowing history. He stroked the freshman crew in 1901, and the winning 'varsity in 1902. He has also played on the 'varsity football team with distinction for two years. Bro. Coffin has been elected captain of the 'varsity crew for 1904. Bros. Hazlewood, Pruyn and Kugler, former oarsmen, were also at Poughkeepsie. Bro. Kugler came from Philadelphia on his yacht *Priscilla*, on which he entertained the Phis royally. Prof. Durand was Cornell's other rowing representative.

Pennsylvania's captain was Bro. William G. Gardiner, '03. In his freshman year he won a seat at No. 5 in the freshman crew at Poughkeepsie; went to Henley with the Quaker boat rowing at No. 7 and sat at No. 5 in the Poughkeepsie race of 1902. He was also captain of the Pennsylvania football and hockey teams, playing at end and half-back on the former, both in 1901 and 1902. His preparation for college was done at the Toledo, Ohio, high school. Bro. Joel H. Hildebrand, another senior, was a substitute for the 'varsity four. Three Phis sat in the Pennsylvania freshman shell, as follows: H. A. Appleton, at No. 2; John G. Hendrie, at No. 5, and F. H. York, at stroke oar. Bro. John Gardiner, an ex-captain of the Quaker eight, and well known as the Henley stroke, assisted Ellis Ward in coaching the several Pennsylvania crews.

Three Phis were found on the Syracuse rowing squad. At No. 1, in the 'varsity shell, sat Bro. Henry M. Galpin. He prepared for college at the Candor (New York) high school and the Newark Valley high school. He is a sopho-

more who rowed at bow in the Syracuse freshman boat last year at Poughkeepsie, and he played on the second 'varsity football team last fall. Bro. Henry M. Russell, '05, was a first 'varsity substitute, and Bro. Ray Ernest Smith was a substitute on the freshman squad.

The Board of Stewards of the Intercollegiate Rowing Association have received assurances that both the University of California and the University of North Carolina will enter crews at Poughkeepsie next year. As Phi Delta Theta has strong chapters in both of these institutions the fraternity has reason to expect another influx of Phi oarsmen in 1903 on the famous Highland race course.

One of the most noteworthy events of the year at Poughkeepsie for the fraternity was the Phi Delta Theta reunion on the night of the race at the Old German Tavern on Union street, the scene of the gathering of the year before. All the arrangements were made by Cornell men, who had secured a private room on the third floor of the quaint building, and who had organized parties to scour the streets and the hotel lobbies in search for wandering Phis. All were corralled in the meeting room and a jolly good time followed. All the college and fraternity yells were given over and over again with gusto, and the singing and story-telling lasted until late in the evening, when the different college delegations prepared to take their several trains on their way home. The evening was one which will long be remembered by those who were present, and served, in great fashion, to continue the precedent established in 1902 to have a miniature Phi convention at Poughkeepsie every year on the occasion of the boat races.

The Phis who were observed at Poughkeepsie by the writer, arranged according to chapters, were as follows:

Columbia—Roland Pearce Jackson, '02; Roscoe Crosby Gaige, '03; Eugene Ashley, '04; John Samuel Maeder, '04; Edwin Hoyt Updike, '04; Thomas Miller, Jr., '05; Franklin Kennedy Sprague, '05; Burritt Nash Wheeler, '05; John Miller, '06, and Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, '99.

Pennsylvania—John Gardiner, '01; William G. Gardiner, '03; Joel H. Hildebrand, '03; H. A. Appleton, '06; John G. Hendrie, '06, and F. H. York, '06.

Syracuse—Albert Roe Seaman, '03; Andrew Gillis Taft, '04; Henry M. Galpin, '05; Henry M. Russell, '05, and Ray Ernest Smith, '06.

Cornell—Edwin Carlisle Boynton, '87; Thomas Stevens Clark, '94; C. B. Mason, '94; Frederick Raymond

Slater, '94; Nathaniel C. Robbins, '96; Allen E. Whiting, '98; Joseph Witham Young, '99; John William Ihlder, '00; William Waldo Pellett, '00; Benjamin Barber Conable, '01; William Blyler Kugler, '02; John Peter Frenzel, Jr., '03; Stuart Hazlewood, '03; Clarence Blyler Kugler, Jr., '03; Albert Reeves Coffin, '04; Lawrence Temple Ketchum, '04; William Cool Pruyn, '04, and Everett Cartwright Welch, '05. *Union*—E. A. Hopkins; Edward Schuyler Colfax Harris, '86; Daniel James Hoyt, '99, and John Daniel Edwards, '00. *Brown*—Bertram Harrington Buxton, '04; Otis Jameson Case, '05, and Robert Carlisle Powell, ex-'05. *Lansing*—Prof. William Frederick Durand, '80, chairman of the Rowing Council at Cornell. *Washington*—George W. Parker, '02. *Amherst*—Robert Carlisle Powell, '06. Summary: Cornell, 18; Columbia, 10; Pennsylvania, 6; Syracuse, 5; Union, 4; Brown, 3; Lansing, Washington and Amherst, one each. Total, 49.

B. M. L. ERNST, *Columbia*, '99.

STUDIES IN FRATERNITY POLICY.—EXTENSION.

There is no element in fraternity policy which goes more toward determining the standard of the organization than its attitude on the subject of extension. With several applications for charters presented each year this subject, one may say, is constantly before us. Phi Delta Theta is a truly national organization, and has a chapter roll exceeded in length by none of her rivals. Those who have studied fraternity history know something of how this roll was built up and how we came into our present heritage. The more enthusiastic advocates of extension point to this proud record of the past and say it is an argument why we should continue to give favorable consideration to well recommended bodies of applicants; that to do otherwise repudiates the policy upon which we have built so magnificent a fraternity.

To my mind this argument is fallacious and misleading. The rules which guided us in the establishment of chapters in past years must today be modified by the conditions of the present, which are wholly different from what they were a score of years, or for that matter even a decade ago. If the argument is made that ten or fifteen or twenty years ago we gave favorable consideration to applications that today we are inclined to reject, and that because of the fact



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we are proud of the chapters and institutions thus enrolled, we will make a great mistake in not accepting these opportunities for new chapters, would it not be just as reasonable to insist that we revert to the methods of chapter establishment in the still earlier decades of Phi Delta Theta's existence? The splendid chapters on our roll that date back to this period were chartered by a method perfectly suited to the time and conditions, but which no one could consistently advocate today.

But an extension policy, carefully conceived and faithfully adhered to, must go through an evolution as marked as the advancement of the fraternity which it has built up. In the 50's, when the total membership of the fraternity was small and made up for the most part of active members in college, the complete assimilation of a new chapter as an integral part of the fraternity was as easy as it was desirable. The proper development of the fraternity called for such extension. Later, seeing the benefits to be gained from making the fraternity one of national extent, a consistent policy was followed of accepting favorable opportunities of entering representative institutions until we could legitimately claim to have on our roll the best colleges of the East, West, North and South. This does not mean that we have on our roll every institution of prominence, but it does mean that, with few exceptions, there have been good reasons for our not entering those as yet unentered.*

Neither does it mean that every college on our list is one of national importance. But the chapters in these small colleges have helped to build up our fraternity and are as much a part of it as those located in the more powerful universities, and as long as they can secure the material which makes good Phis, they should be made to feel that their charters are not to be assailed merely because the institutions in which the chapters are located are small.

More than ten years ago—say by 1890—the complexion of our chapter roll became definitely fixed. We were a national fraternity. The chapters added since then are chapters made possible by developments among colleges which previously could not have claimed our attention. The

* We note adverse laws at Princeton and Oberlin; the prevalence of systems at Yale and Harvard, in the presence of which we have, so far, preferred not to maintain a chapter of Phi Delta Theta; an already crowded condition so far as the number of fraternities and the percentage of fraternity men is concerned, at such institutions as Bowdoin, Wesleyan, Trinity (Conn.) and Rutgers. In addition there are other institutions of excellent repute, applications from which, for reasons good to us, we have seen fit to deny.

developmental period of Phi Delta Theta's existence had passed, and we were only accepting exceptional opportunities in unquestioned fields when we admitted the chapters that have been added to our roll since 1890. But during this time, and all the time from the founding of the fraternity down to the present, conditions have been changing. The alumni body of the fraternity has been growing. Today we have more than ten alumni to every undergraduate. These men are a part of the fraternity. The fundamental idea of Phi Delta Theta is that it is a social organization, and this implies on the part of the alumni a continued acquaintance with and fair knowledge of the make-up of our undergraduate branch, namely, the active chapters. It is a rude shock to the alumnus who at the annual reunion discourses about some of the old chapters, to be told that certain ones no longer exist, and he finds it equally disturbing at times to his complacent reminiscences to have the undergraduate remind him that we have a number of new chapters on our roll whose names and location he finds it impossible to find a place for in his recollections of Phi Delta Theta. He goes back to his home wondering if this is really the same Phi Delta Theta to which he belonged.

At the same time the number of our alumni has been increasing, there has been growing up a closer feeling of union among all our chapters. The social life of our fraternity means more to the various chapters and their members than ever before. Visible evidences of the value of Phi Delta Theta membership and the permanency of the fraternity are to be seen in our chapter houses, twenty of which are owned by the chapters occupying them. The positive value of membership in our fraternity has increased,—many fold, I will say; the difficulties of getting the fraternity acquainted with a new chapter have likewise increased many fold; the developmental period of our existence as a fraternity is past. Does the extension policy which we have heretofore consistently followed obligate us to give favorable consideration to every well-indorsed application from institutions of present good standing or which promise healthy development in the future?

The facts given above this question indicate the wisdom of putting a value on our charters in proportion to the increased value of membership in Phi Delta Theta. It was in this spirit that our present laws in regard to the granting of charters were formulated.

But, say the extensionists, here is an application from a promising institution, the applicants being so well indorsed that we cannot afford to let the chance pass for so excellent a chapter. We are apt to be misled in considering an application. It is comparatively easy to get indorsements, even from the best of people. There is no nostrum on the market, however valueless, but what has its unimpeachable and wholly convincing testimonials. But it is when we turn from them and learn of the great weight of evidence against them that we put a proper estimate upon its virtues. So in the matter of extension we must give consideration to the arguments against the proposition to charter, as well as ear to indorsements. The mere fact that any considerable number of chapters, or that a fair number of representative alumni, are opposed to an application should cause its most careful consideration. Our obligations are more to the chapters and men in Phi Delta Theta than to those who knock at the door.

Must we be pioneers in the institutions which are just showing promise or forfeit our chances for leadership in the future? The answer to this is positively no. Our experience in many institutions of the East, West, North and South says no. Our leadership will depend upon the internal strength which we develop in our organization; upon the way our chapters are housed; upon the personnel of our existing chapters, and the oneness of spirit throughout Phi Delta Theta. If we hold aloof from a particular institution until it has fully demonstrated its place in the college world, and its students have won recognized standing in inter-collegiate social life, we will then be able to enter and obtain a standing commensurate with our worth. A former general officer, in a good position to know fraternity sentiment, and whose own opinion is to be valued, does not consider it necessary that we should be pioneers in order to maintain leadership. He says: 'Even in the business world it does not hold good. It is not the company which is first to establish a branch office in a town which ultimately does the best business. It is rather the company which is strong enough to buy a lot in the center of business and put up a handsome building and solicit business by saying, "look at our resources elsewhere and look at what we have here." If we can, within the next five or ten years, get every one of our existing chapters on a firm basis and in a house of its own, can we not then go into institutions which have

demonstrated their worth and command the prestige and position which should be ours?

No local test should be applied in considering the question of a charter. Nearby chapters have negatived applications that the rest of the fraternity was ready to approve, and in turn nearby chapters have urged the cause of others against which there was overwhelming sentiment in the fraternity at large. The test should be 'will the fraternity, as a whole, be strengthened by the granting of this application' and to answer this the sentiments of those at a distance must be considered as well as those of chapters and alumni in the state, province or section from which the application may come.

Father Morrison—bless his memory—did great work in the early days of Phi Delta Theta in establishing our first chapters. Did we repudiate his early work when in the conventions of more recent years we failed to embrace opportunities for new chapters which he, with all the force at his possession, endeavored to bring into our circle? Were we not rather in the light of the fraternity's growth conserving its best interests just as he had in its earlier days?

This does not mean that Phi Delta Theta should grant no more charters, nor is the day coming when we are to grant no more. The fraternity will ever be ready to give consideration to the applications presented to it, and no spirit of snobbishness will be allowed to govern its action. Democratic within, we shall be honest with those about us. But we do not need new chapters to strengthen us, and the burden of proof must be on the applicants. We have much to give to any local organization seeking affiliation with us, and it devolves upon such a society to show us what it can bring to Phi Delta Theta in the way of strength. For a proper consideration of all the questions involved in an application for a charter, I think a fairly long period of probation an absolute necessity. It is scarcely possible for the entire fraternity to become acquainted with conditions obtaining with the applicants and at their institution, in less than a year, and more often a longer period of time will be required.

This contribution is not offered in any spirit of controversy, and some may deem it unnecessary. But the tendency is for our literature to be supplied more freely with arguments in favor of applications, those who are not favorable to them, hesitating to resort to print to urge their objections.

Neither is it inspired by objections to any specific application. I have simply endeavored to set forth that which I believe represents the views of the composite Phi of today, and which therefore must guide one in official consideration of such questions in extension as come before him.

JOHN EDWIN BROWN, *P. G. C.*

PHIS AT NORTHFIELD.

Pleasant indeed is it always to meet fellows from other colleges during vacation, but that pleasure is of a particular sort when the hand that grips yours is that of a brother in $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. This year saw some nineteen Phis from various colleges of the United States and Canada in attendance at the Students' Conference at Northfield, Mass., June 26-July 5. For several of these there was the added pleasure of renewing friendships formed at the New York convention, while for all—graduate and undergraduate alike—there existed the characteristic Phi good fellowship. Little wonder, then, that before the conference closed this found expression in a dinner, held at 'The Northfield' on July 3, the day when the celebration of the 'Glorious Fourth' occurred. Those present were: E. W. Hearne, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '94; F. P. Turner, *Vanderbilt*, '91; J. E. Hoick, *Gettysburg*, '91; Henry Natsch, *Brown*, '02; C. F. Savage, *Brown*, '04; W. W. Johnston, *Lafayette*, '04; E. Graham Wilson, *Lafayette*, '06; Albert P. Newell, *Williams*, '05; George D. Hulst, *Williams*, '06; Frederick Squires, *Williams*, '00; R. B. Schoonmaker, *Columbia*, '06; Guy R. Varnum, *Vermont*, '04; Harry W. Smith, *Lehigh*, '05; Lyman C. Lauchland, *McGill*, '04. It is needless to add that the dinner was all that could be desired, after relating that Bro. Natsch was acting assistant-manager of the hotel, and that Bro. Hearne officiated as chairman. It is at times like this, when away from everything that nourishes or supports $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ enthusiasm, that one sees what a really healthy and vigorous plant it has grown to be in the lives of her sons. The memory of that quiet little dinner together on the hotel piazza will be one of the bright spots in our Northfield visit of 1903.

Several brothers were absent at the time of the dinner, but were present at one time or another during the conference. Among these were: Dr. H. C. Mabie, *Chicago*, '68; Robert Lewis, *Vermont*, '93; J. Holmes, *Brown*, '02; L. L.



PHS AT NORTHFIELD.

Back row: Hearne, Turner, Squires, Lauchland, Wilson, Holck, Johnston.
Middle row: Varnum, Newell, Hult, Smith, Schoonmaker.
Front: Savage, Nader.

Drury, Brown, '02; J. Orton, *Vermont*, '04. Besides these two pledged men were in attendance.

Those who are acquainted with Northfield will recognize several who are prominent in the work there and in the colleges, and of them all $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is justly proud for the part they are playing in the great student movements of the day.

LYMAN C. LAUCHLAND, *McGill*, '04.

THE "MOST BEAUTIFUL CHURCH IN THE WORLD."

The recently completed Leland Stanford Memorial Church on the campus of Stanford University is regarded as a unique example of American church architecture. Says Mr. J. L. Harbour, in the *Christian Endeavor World* (September 3):

'It has required four years of constant work to erect the church Mrs. Stanford has built to the memory of her husband. The most skilled architects in California, the most skilled decorative artists in both America and Europe, and the most notable sculptors and workers in mosaics in Italy have been called upon to help erect and embellish this beautiful temple of worship.'

'Mrs. Stanford has chosen to keep the cost of the church a secret, but it is certain that it has cost at least six hundred thousand dollars.'

'The carvings, the marble statuary, and the exquisitely beautiful stained-glass windows representing John, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, David, Elias, Moses, Samuel, and Isaiah, represent a great outlay, and are the finest in the world.'

'The ceiling of the church is seventy feet above the floor, which is of the richest Moorish tiling. There are forty-seven stained-glass windows and a great many beautifully carved arches and columns. It is said that the cost of the mosaic decorations in the church has been about one hundred thousand dollars.'

'Of course, the plans for the music in a church like this have been carefully considered, and there is in the church one of the finest organs in the world, and there are seats in the choir-loft for one hundred and fifty singers. The organ has 3000 pipes and forty-six stops, and it has the most beautiful front ever placed on an organ.'

'The pulpit is of richly carved stone, and the altar is a block of Carrara marble upon the face of which has been carved a bas-relief of Rubens's "The Entombment."



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THE LELAND STANFORD MEMORIAL CHURCH AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

The picture occupying the upper portion of the facade represents the Ascension. The two medallions are conventional pieces representing allegorical figures in classical style. The whole is in mosaic and was made in Italy.

'There is back of the altar a wonderful representation of the "Last Supper" in rich mosaics, which is a copy of the original in the Sistine Chapel at Rome.'

In brief, the Leland Stanford Memorial Church is believed to be the 'most beautiful church in America,' while some go so far as to say that there is not a more artistically beautiful church building in the world.

THE GREEK THEATER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

An almost perfect reproduction of the classic Dionysian Theater at Epidaurus, in Greece, has been presented to the University of California by William R. Hearst. The structure was dedicated on September 24, in the presence of 2,000 students and a great throng of men and women of political, collegiate, and social distinction. Addresses were made by President Benjamin Ide Wheeler, Mr. Hearst, and Mr. Ben Weed, a graduate of the university; and a performance of Aristophanes's 'Birds' was given by the students. Mr. Hearst's paper, the New York *American*, says of the opening ceremonies :

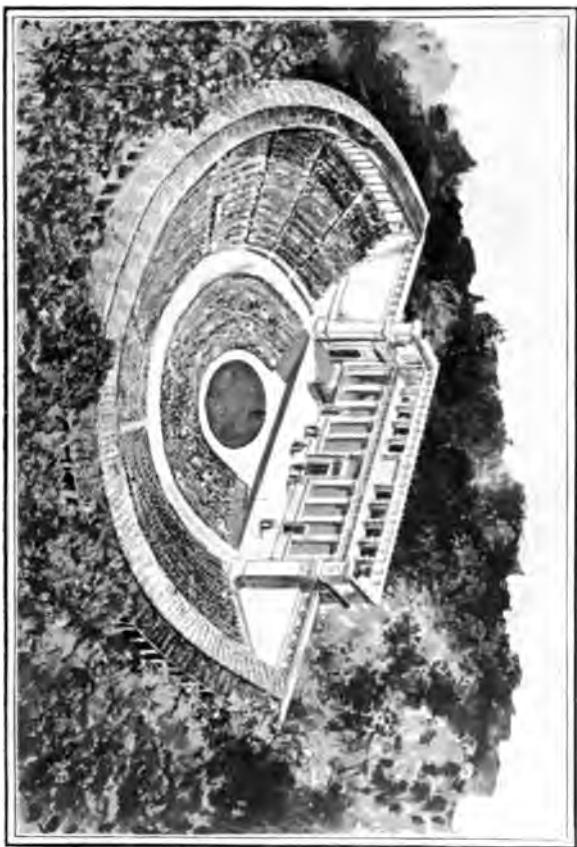
'This festival is absolutely unique not only in the annals of Berkeley, but in college life throughout America, for it marks the completion of a structure that is without parallel in this country, and it is not an exaggeration to add that it can not be duplicated by the architectural marvels of the Old World.'

'The site in its perfect adaptability to outdoor dramatic presentations, both as to acoustic properties and scenic effects, was a marvelous and eloquent suggestion of nature herself, but it was not until the silent appeal touched the imagination of Ben Weed, of the class of '94, that the gift was accepted and put to the use for which it seems to have been created from the beginning.'

'Since that time theatrical performances of the graduating class of each year have been witnessed by thousands, sitting on the grass covering the sloping walls of a huge circular depression under the shade of an eucalyptus grove. * * *

'The nearest approach to the outdoor theater, of which not only Berkeley but America can justly be proud, is to be found at Nismes, in the south of France, and at Oxford, England. The first has become scarcely more than a ruin, and the second is so vastly inferior in point of size and magnificence of execution as to almost preclude rational comparison.'

'The completed structure is made up of two distinct parts, the stage corresponding to the classic logeum and the auditorium being a reproduction of the Greek theatron. The former is 122 feet long by a depth of 28 feet and surrounded by a solid concrete wall 42 feet in height. This is enriched by a complete classic order of Greek doric



By courtesy of The Literary Digest.
THE GREEK THEATER PRESENTED TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
BY W. R. HEARST.

columns with stylobate and entablature pierced by five entrances and its ends forming two massive pylons. The theater proper is semicircular in form and 254 feet in diameter, and is divided into two concentric tiers of seats. The first series of these are built around a level circle fifty feet in diameter and five and one-half feet below the level of the stage, corresponding accordingly to the portion of the ancient Greek structures devoted to the choruses and orchestra. Without this circle the seats slope up gradually until the stage level is reached at a circle corresponding in diameter to the terminal pylons of the stage walls. This line is marked architecturally by an aisle, anciently called the diazoma, extending around the semicircle of seats between the orchestra and the topmost circle.'—*The Literary Digest*.

At a meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, held in Southport, England, on September 9, Sir Norman Lockyer, in delivering his presidential address entitled 'The Influence of Brain Power on History,' said :

'Our position as a nation, our success as merchants, are in peril chiefly—dealing with preventable causes—because of our lack of completely efficient universities and our neglect of research.

'We in Great Britain have eleven universities competing with 134 state and privately endowed in the United States and 22 state endowed in Germany. The German state gives to one university more than the British government allows to all the universities and university colleges in England, Ireland and Wales put together. These are the conditions which regulate the production of brain power in the United States, Germany and Great Britain, respectively, and the excuse of the government is that this is a matter for private effort.

'Do not our ministers of state know that other civilized countries grant efficient state aid, and, further, that private effort has provided in great Britain less than 10 per cent. of the sum thus furnished in the United States in addition to state aid? In depending in our country upon this form of endowment we are trusting to a broken reed. If we take the twelve English university colleges—the forerunners of universities unless we are to perish from lack of knowledge—we find that private effort during sixty years has found less than £4,000,000; that is £2,000,000 for building and £40,000 a year income.

'This gives us an average of £166,000 for buildings and £3,300 for yearly income. What is the scale of private effort we have to compete with in regard to the American universities? In the United States during the last few years universities and colleges have received more than £40,000,000 from this source alone; private effort supplied nearly £7,000,000 in the years 1898-1900.'

EDITORIAL.

'THE HISTORY OF PHI DELTA THETA,' that monumental work by Bro. WALTER B. PALMER, is for a truth in press, and we may expect to see the finished book within a few weeks. Through the courtesy of Bro. PALMER and his printers, the George Banta Printing Company, we are able to present ocular proof of the actual printing of the history, in the shape of impressions of the first few pages of the book bound in the back of this number of the SCROLL. The interesting style and thorough-going manner in which the work is written is amply set forth in these few sample pages, which serve also to give some idea of its breadth and scope. Interest in it will not be confined to members of Phi Delta Theta, but from its broader treatment of the general subject of Greek letter fraternities, with especial reference, however, to Phi Delta Theta, it will engage the attention of all fraternity men and others interested in the life of our colleges. To pay it a very mild compliment, 'The History of Phi Delta Theta' promises to be a notable addition to fraternity literature. The preparation of this book has occupied a large share of Bro. PALMER's attention for a number of years, and his signal capabilities for such an undertaking, coupled with his extraordinary grasp of the subject—well known to all fraternity workers—warrant us in expecting a work of pre-eminent merit. The publication of 'The History of Phi Delta Theta' is a red-letter event in the fraternity's career, and it is with a sense of profound satisfaction that we announce the early appearance of the book.

We give a rousing cheer for Wabash chapter. Our good brothers of Indiana Beta have purchased a house; thereby they have increased our list of house-owning chapters to the goodly number twenty. The house is of brick, with sixteen rooms, within a block of the campus, and is described as positively the finest house in the city for the purpose.

The members of the chapter have been working on the project for something less than a year, and the culmination of their plans is a distinct achievement. The possessions of our housed chapters are certainly stirring the impulses of those yet without homes of their own. Yesterday certain excuses were accepted as reasonable; today no chapter, wherever or however located, if it values its own existence, can be excused for not owning a house or being on the high road toward getting one. It is a question of grit and determination; the obstacles are there, in small towns and in large towns, but they can be overcome because they are being overcome. The *SCROLL* hopes to announce at least one new house in each number this year. Which chapter will be next?

THE Phi Delta Theta Club of Philadelphia has determined upon a fuller and more useful existence than is the ordinary lot of the alumni club. A distinctive feature of its plan is the publication of a bulletin styled the *Phi Delta Theta News*, to be issued four or five times a year, and by means of which the Phis of Philadelphia will be able the more readily to keep in touch with each other. This little paper will be devoted primarily to the affairs of the Phi Delta Theta men of Philadelphia, but it will also give its readers late news of matters at the University of Pennsylvania and the fraternity at large. Two numbers have already appeared, and the paper is a distinct success. Such a publication is an excellent idea, and it will undoubtedly serve a useful purpose. The Philadelphia brothers have set an example of enterprise worthy of emulation.

WITH the advent of the new song-book, which we say again is a thing of beauty one has but to see to want, there must be no diminution in the production of Phi Delta Theta songs. The present edition of the song-book is the fifth it has seen; there will of course be others. This one is a most artistic book, and the brothers who were the editors deserve

and have the thanks of the fraternity for their work. However, we do not intend to stop writing songs because we already have a creditable song-book. The brothers of the present generation—surely we are correct in this—will agree that the muse stirs as frequently nowadays as in ‘the good old times.’ THE SCROLL will be more than glad to give space to new songs, and will thus preserve them for future editions of the song-book. Under certain happy conditions the music also will be published in THE SCROLL.

But let us not fail to appreciate the present new book. It is to be hoped that our chapters are looking to the chapter singing. Aside from the pleasure and inspiration arising from it, no one need be told of the feelings of concord, good will and loyalty a good song brings out. All men sing their college songs, of course, even if they never hum a note at any other time. They sing then because they can’t help it. Do our own songs have similar attention? We hope so. Not for a moment would we have them replace the college songs; but let all Phi Delta Theta men know the songs of Phi Delta Theta and sing them. Not because it is a duty; but because it is such a pleasant thing to do. And who would be without a copy of the new song-book? It is positively the most attractive song-book we have ever seen. Certainly some of our chapters have not seen a copy; for we are informed there are some chapters not yet supplied. Every chapter library should be supplied with several copies, and we fail to see how any single member can do without at least two copies.

THE New York Alumni Club is engaged in the laudable project of promoting a clubhouse. With six hundred and more Phi Delta Thetas in and around New York, the movement should have a successful issue. Every American has an interest in New York, near or remote, and every member of Phi Delta Theta is interested in seeing our fraternity installed in a clubhouse there. We should stand ready to co-operate with the brothers who are forwarding the project.

They want to communicate with all Phi Delta Theta men living within a radius of fifty miles of New York. We can all co-operate to this end at least, and put the committee into communication with the Phis we know there. The address of the corresponding secretary is LEWIS A. DRUMMOND, No. 1 Ann street, New York City.

TRADITIONS—A word pregnant with meaning to the collegian. Matters to be preserved without regard to rhyme or reason. They are, because they have always been; they must be so, because they have always been so. And we would not, on the whole, have it changed, for it suits us to do as those others did before us. However, let us here make a reservation. Let us not omit to do certain things we ought to do—which are worth doing—because those others before us habitually omitted them. For instance, chapter officers. Let the committee on internal improvement do some real work; work out its own ideas—first, however, acquire ideas, which can be done by study of the subject; take up the matter of chapter improvement as a sociological proposition and work it out, investigating the difficulties, smoothing the wrinkles, correcting tendencies in the wrong direction, encouraging proper chapter impulses, examining chapter ethics, introducing a clearer understanding of the proper field for the chapter's activities. And there is the matter of administration. Chapter finances to be put upon a sound basis—an absolutely essential condition to chapter happiness and progress. Chapter records to be put in order and kept in order, and reports to be made intelligently and promptly. It is for the older heads to direct the younger heads, and for the younger heads to assist. There is work in plenty for the chapter officers. The beginning of a new year is the accepted and excellent time to start.

THE consideration of the matter of fraternity extension by Dr. JOHN EDWIN BROWN, president of the general coun-

cil, in this number, is a thoughtful, calm and authoritative discussion of a cardinal element of fraternity policy. Dr. BROWN discusses the question from the viewpoint of Phi Delta Theta of today, our needs, our aims and the practical determination of the question of where, when and under what conditions it will be wise or desirable for us to establish new chapters. He speaks with the authority of twenty years of intimate association with the guidance of Phi Delta Theta affairs, and of one who has thought broadly on all propositions met by fraternities, and by Phi Delta Theta in particular. In these twenty years Phi Delta Theta has established thirty-two new chapters, and it is safe to say that as a whole, Dr. BROWN approved of and even urged their establishment. These thirty-two chapters now represent a most important, powerful and integral part of our fraternity, and, without them, Phi Delta Theta would be far indeed from being what Phi Delta Theta is. The policy, in pursuance of which we have gained so much in the past, is not to be put aside without the most thoughtful consideration. And it is not Dr. BROWN's idea to abandon our traditional aims or to deviate from our course of entering such representative institutions as will add strength to our chapter-roll.

The question is to determine, now that Phi Delta Theta is established, broadly speaking, in the leading institutions of the country, a fraternity truly national in extent, with her influence felt in every section, what additions to our list of chapters will in reality give us strength. Is a longer chapter-roll of itself a prime object? Will extension into more institutions, of what we may call 'fraternity grade,' necessarily on the whole strengthen Phi Delta Theta? In the first place we must remember that a fraternity is a conservative body; it is slow to take up a new proposition, and it should be. A new institution is not readily welcomed into the ranks. The burden of proof is on the applicant and at times a hearing is not freely granted. Only the most determined, skillful and diplomatic efforts will bring about the thorough investigation and full consideration desired.

And we firmly believe it to be to the fraternity's welfare to grant a new charter only when the chapters themselves enthusiastically favor it; when in truth, the chapters really want the new chapter, after a full investigation of the application. Admission on any other basis will not add strength, however promising the institution or applicants, but, on the contrary, will sap our vitality. When we admit a new chapter, we are not merely admitting new members; we are adding new brothers. And we cannot acquire true brothers hurriedly or otherwise than warmly. We must remember that sixty-eight chapters is a large list, and that it cannot readily be moved. To add to it any new chapters other than those it itself enthusiastically wants and asks for, is surely to weaken the bond which binds them. The same may be said of our alumni members, constituting, as Dr. BROWN points out, more than nine-tenths of our membership—belonging, however, to the various chapters, and probably on the whole reflecting their views. What we aim at; what we believe we have, and what we desire to perpetuate is a closely-knit brotherhood of college men, united in the Bond of Phi Delta Theta, with chapters in representative institutions in every section of our country. It is not our purpose to seek great numbers, but specifically to avoid any step calculated to render less close the tie which now binds us. In plain terms, we are led to the conclusion that we cannot afford to admit new chapters which are not warmly endorsed by practically the entire fraternity.

We extend the hand of fellowship to the entering class, and wish them joy and good-luck. We trust that all have survived the riding of the goat, except, of course, those docketed for a later day—and are full into their new year's work. We hope they will soon be well acquainted with THE SCROLL and *Palladium*, the Constitution and Code, the Ritual and the Song-book. When that occurs they will be ready for examination, by which to be qualified for chapter office. It is in this way only that creditable chapter officers are made.

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

QUEBEC ALPHA, MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

Once more college life is in full swing, and with it the chapter life of Quebec Alpha. We, however, feel the loss of our first alumni, two of whom, Bros. Dickson and McIntosh, have received their M. D., C. M. degrees since the writing of our last letter. Bro. Tilt, '03, returns for demonstrating and post-graduate work for his M. Sc.

McGill opens with greatly increased classes in arts and science, while the freshman classes in medicine and law remain about the same. The chapter returned ten strong, Bro. Garcelon, '06, being detained at home. Rushing was started in earnest, and the fact that we had a chapterhouse aided us materially this year, as all our rivals rent houses. We have now six pledged men, whom with others we expect to introduce to our brothers very shortly.

Our chapterhouse is being made more attractive this year, both externally and internally; besides increased furnishings to the chapter-room, a new entrance is being fitted up and the exterior repainted.

So far we have not many honors dangling from our belt, but among the medical society's officers is Bro. Sellery, '04, while Bro. Bell, '06, was elected to the Alma Mater society. In football, Bro. Likely, '05, will probably play on the second team.

In sports, McGill expects to do well again this year, although the three championships may not all come our way. The first fourteen in football is said to be strong, while in the intercollegiate track events on October 16 we hope once more to defeat our rival, Toronto. Two new features are seen this year, the Rifle Club and the Harrier's Club, the latter having bi-weekly runs.

No changes are noted in the teaching staff beyond promotions. The McGill Y. M. C. A. expect to erect a \$50,000 building on the present site next year, with an endowment of \$30,000.

This term the chapter is fortunate in having as its official head Bro. Richardson, '04, who, as ex-'02 Colby, was chiefly instrumental in starting the $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ ball rolling here. LYMAN C. LAUCHLAND.

Montreal, October 5, 1903.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

Colby begins the present year under the most favorable circumstances. The entering class is the largest in the history of the college.

During the past summer North College, which was destroyed by fire last December, has been rebuilt in a more modern style. Also, repairs have been made on South College, Recitation Hall, and the physical laboratory; the athletic field has been graded, thus making a needed improvement in the interest of athletics. The new Commons dining hall was in readiness at the opening of the term. Here students are accommodated at \$2.50 per week. Beginning with this year, Colby offers a new course, leading to the degree, B. S.

Several changes have taken place in the teaching staff. The chair of chemistry, left vacant through the death of Prof. Wm. Elder, is filled by Prof. Geo. F. Parmenter, who is a graduate of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, having also taken post-graduate work at Brown. The chair of mathematics, made vacant by the retirement of Prof. L. E. Warren, is filled by Prof. Hugh R. Hatch, who is a graduate of Colby. Mr. A. D. Sorensen succeeds Dr. A. M. Frew as director of the gymnasium, and is also an instructor in the college. Mr. Sorensen is a graduate of Denison University, having also taken post-graduate work at Chicago. Mr. Webster Chester succeeds Mr. L. E. Moore, resigned, as instructor in botany, biology and zoölogy. Mr. Chester is a graduate of Colgate University, and has taken post-graduate work at Harvard.

The number of Phis who have returned this fall is eighteen, as follows: Bros. E. H. Cotton, G. D. Coy, A. L. Field, C. N. Flood, A. M. Frye, J. A. Gilman, Wm. Hoyt, M. C. Joy, T. T. Knowles, R. P. Norton, '05, and Bros. I. A. Bowdoin, C. P. Chipman, R. L. Emery, B. A. Gooch, F. E. Hutchins, J. C. Lindsay, J. W. Spencer and J. U. Teague, '06.

Bro. C. W. Atchley, '03, is acting as secretary to President Charles L. White the present year.

Eleven men have been pledged in the entering class.

Waterville, October 6, 1903.

ARTHUR L. FIELD.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

Dartmouth College has entered upon its one hundred and thirty-fourth year with the life and enthusiasm of a college 'old only in its traditions.' The entering class numbers more than two hundred and eighty, an increase of over fifty over last year, bringing the total enrollment of the academic department above the eight hundred mark. In the midst of this prosperity New Hampshire Alpha enters upon her twentieth year with the firm determination to keep pace with the growth of her college.

Among the changes on the faculty, Prof. G. F. Hull succeeds Prof. E. F. Nichols as head of the department of physics, Prof. Nichols having gone to Columbia University; Prof. Norman E. Gilbert, formerly professor of physics in Hobart College, succeeds Prof. Hull in the assistant professorship. Mr. Edward Van Deusen, a graduate of Harvard, comes to the college as instructor in Public and Private Finance in the Tuck School. We are very glad to welcome Bro. H. N. Sanborn, '02, back after graduate work at Yale, as instructor in English. In the department of French, Mr. George B. Weston, of Harvard, comes as an instructor.

In the opening address of the President, announcement was made that by action of the Trustees compulsory church attendance has been abolished. This departure from the former custom comes in response to the feeling expressed by those most interested in the religious welfare of the college, that compulsory church attendance has not been in keeping with the free and unhampered spiritual development of a democratic institution. The religious needs of the student body are to be met in several ways in addition to the work of the Y. M. C. A.

The athletic outlook for the year is promising. The football season has begun encouragingly with two victories, the first over Massa-

chusetts State College with a score of 12 to 0, the second over Holy Cross, 18 to 0. While it is still early in the season to judge the worth of a team, we have confidence in our men and our coach, F. G. Folsom, *Dartmouth*, '95.

This fall two more Dartmouth fraternities go into chapterhouses. Beta Theta Pi have moved into their new house, a handsome two-story colonial structure. Chi Phi have leased a house in which they are comfortably located. Late in the spring it was announced that the alumni of the local chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon had purchased land near the campus and were to present the chapter with a lodge to cost \$12,000, which is to be built during the next year. Delta Kappa Epsilon will be the seventh fraternity to have a house at Dartmouth.

Our chinning season comes the latter part of this month, and by the time of publication of the next SCROLL, New Hampshire Alpha expects to have a strong delegation from the entering class to present to the fraternity. We wish to thank the alumni and sister chapters for the aid that they have given us in coming in touch with promising men.

HALSEY B. LODER.

Hanover, October 6, 1903.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The University of Vermont begins its anniversary year with an entering class of one hundred and nineteen, of which twenty-one are women. The students are divided among the several courses as follows: Engineering, 46; literary scientific, 25; agricultural, 15; classical, 14; chemists, 8; commerce and economics, 4; special, 3. Several changes have been made in the faculty, by which we lose some very able professors. Prof. C. E. Seaman, Dr. H. A. Torrey, Dr. H. A. Eaton and Prof. A. D. Butterfield are succeeded by Dr. Charles A. Mixter, George Burrowes, Nathaniel C. Griffin and George M. Brett, respectively. G. E. Howes, professor of Greek, who has been at Athens during the past year, has returned. Prof. C. B. Stetson, who taught Greek in his absence, will teach German this year in the course taught by T. E. Hamilton last year.

Football prospects for this year are very bright. Although but six old men returned, we believe that, with good practice, our team will be very satisfactory. Bros. Newton, '05, and Ramsey, '06, are two of the old men and played in the game against Yale yesterday. Bro. Briggs, '04, was the most promising candidate for guard, but owing to sickness has been obliged to abandon the game. Bro. Morse, '01, is assistant coach.

Of the twenty-two men left after commencement, last year, eighteen have returned to college this fall. Bro. Orton, '04, has also returned and is kept very busy as general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. He will enter the medical department in January. Bro. Pierce, '04, is with the B. & M. railroad as engineer. Bro. Carpenter is with a telephone company in New York. The vacancy left by last year's graduating class is somewhat filled by pledging new men. We have pledged seven men to date and are considering others.

Our new house was described in the June SCROLL. We are now very nicely settled in it and find it quite convenient. With a few changes made during the summer by our hustling and enthusiastic alumni, it has been made a splendid chapterhouse.

Bro. Gray, '03, who is with 'The International Quarterly,' is visiting us at present.

Bro. Max Andrews, '99, takes the place of Bro. C. W. Doten, who has acted as secretary and registrar to the university for the past eight years. He has gone to Massachusetts Institute of Technology as assistant in the department of economics.

Burlington, October 3, 1903.

NEHEMIAH A. TOWNE.

(MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.)

The chapter and the college both open the year of 1903-1904 with the best of prospects. At the beginning of the college year several improvements appear about the campus. A new central heating and lighting plant is being installed which will cost approximately \$50,000. Already most of the piping connecting the president's house and other college buildings with the powerhouse has been laid, and it seems certain that the system will be in operation by the 1st of January. Electric lights will also be installed in all the college buildings, thus insuring a great saving from the present excessive gas rates. One hundred and fifty-two men enter with the close of 1903, the largest freshman class which Williams has had in many years. Several additions have been made to the faculty. Dr. George D. Kellogg becomes assistant professor of Latin. Theodore C. Smith is the J. L. Miller professor of American history, literature and eloquence, while Dr. James P. King instructs in the German department. Edward M. Lewis is instructor in English and oratory. Bro. George T. Northup, '97, who, after graduation, followed newspaper work in Chicago and Worcester, and then studied the Romance languages in Chicago and in Paris, becomes instructor in French.

Last June, through graduation, this chapter lost four men. Bro. McMillan, who is now teaching in a St. Louis private school and coaching in athletics; Bro. Ward, who is at present employed in Chicago with the General Electric Company; Bros. King and Orr, who are at their respective homes in Northampton and Pittsfield, Mass. To supplement the loss of these men the chapter has already pledged the following men: Wilfred S. Ayers, '05, of Jacksonville, Ill.; Edward V. Brush, '07, of Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Kerro Knox, '07, of Plainfield, N. J.; John W. Ormsby, '07, of Milwaukee, Wis.; Lawrence J. Stoddard, '07, of Greenfield, Mass., and William S. Winslow, of Colorado Springs, Colo. More men are under consideration, and before the rushing season is completed there will probably be other additions to our chapter roll. Bro. Abercrombie, '05, has not returned to college this fall, having decided to accept a position with his father in Turners Falls, Mass.

During the last term Phi Delta Theta at Williams had its full share of college honors. When the Gargoyle officers of the senior class were announced, Bro. McMillan, '03, was found to be secretary of that society. Bro. King, '03, represented the fraternity on the senior promenade committee. Bro. Squires, '04, first received an election to Gargoyle, and subsequently, at the end of the track season, was elected track captain. Bro. Northup, '04, also was elected Gargoyle, and begins his work as manager of the 'varsity baseball team this fall. Of the class of '05, Bro. Pruyne was chosen as one of the original five members of the committee for the last sophomore prom. Bro. Abercrombie captained the '05 class baseball team. Bro. W. A.

Newell, '05, of the 'varsity track team, won second place for the college in the half-mile race at Worcester, Mass. He also secured third place in the same event at the Mott Haven inter-collegiate meet. Bro. Egerton, '05, received an election to the sophomore prom. committee.

Bro. A. P. Newell, '05, was selected to captain the Williams debating team in the debate against Wesleyan University, which takes place at the latter college on the evening before the Williams-Wesleyan football game of November 14. He was one of a committee of three for the sophomore class supper, and was one of the speakers in the moonlight oratorical contest.

This rushing season all of the fraternities have secured delegations varying from four to nine, as the freshman class is composed of very available material. It is rumored in college that A Z A, a local crowd who started here last spring, are endeavoring to obtain in the near future a charter from some national fraternity.

A large proportion of this chapter expect to be at Syracuse for the coming province convention.

ALBERT P. NEWELL.

Williamstown, October 3, 1903.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

College opens with bright prospects for a successful year in every department. The entering class numbers 124, and gives promise of good material for all branches of the college athletics. The football team is being coached this year by Mr. J. B. Hart, who played left half-back on the Yale, '90, team, and coached last year the team at the University of Texas. The football team is unusually light this year, but gives promise of speed. Games are scheduled with Bowdoin, Harvard, Columbia, Union, Trinity, Holy Cross, Dartmouth, M. A. C. and Hamilton. Only two games have been played to date, and Amherst won both, with scores of 6-0 and 23-0. These were with Williston and Colby.

Several changes have been made in the courses and the semester system goes into effect this year. Two literature courses have been added and a course in the drama, under Prof. Churchill. John Erskine, a Columbia graduate, will be instructor in English; Curtis K. Walker, *Yale*, '00, instructor in history; Robert M. Chapin, '97, instructor in chemistry, and John Corsa, '99, instructor in public speaking. William A. Nitze, a Johns Hopkins graduate, will succeed Professor Symington as associate professor of the romance languages. Professors Garman and Morse will spend their Sabbatical year in study.

During the summer all the college buildings have been renovated, and electric lights placed in the gymnasium. Work on the new observatory is progressing rapidly.

The annual flag rush was held the Saturday night following the opening of college and was won by the sophomores.

Massachusetts Beta is progressing. During the summer the chapterhouse received a new coat of paint, and the rooms were very thoroughly renovated. The following strong delegation was pledged during the rushing season: Alfred L. Bartlett, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Francis D. Carleton, Yonkers, N. Y.; Frank P. Christensen, Worcester, Mass.; George Greenaway, Indian Orchard, Mass.; Clarence A. Lamb, Attleboro, Mass.; Elmer A. Pratt, Housatonic, Mass.; Harry

A. Rowe, Amsterdam, N. Y.; Warren L. Swett, Gloucester, Mass., William E. Sweeney, Attleboro, Mass., and Eugene M. Webster, Gloucester, Mass.

There were seventeen prizes offered in college last year, and six of these were taken by Phis. The chapter represented only about one-thirteenth of the college enrollment, but carried off over one-third of the prizes.

DAVID EMERSON GREENAWAY.

Amherst, October 5, 1903.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

Brown opened Wednesday, September 15. The campus presented a changed aspect to those who had left it last June. There are five new buildings in construction, besides the several new gates to match the Van Wickle gates, which were new two years ago. A new dormitory and mechanical engineering building occupy the site of the old baseball diamond on Lincoln Field; Rockefeller Hall, the building which is to be the center of all college activities, and the John Carter Brown Library almost complete the square of buildings on the middle campus; while on the front campus is the Bajnotti clock tower, a hundred feet in height.

Profs. Morse ($\Phi \Delta \Theta$), Munroe, Greene and Everett have leave of absence for a year. Prof. Macdonald is taking Prof. Munroe's place in history; Prof. Harkness has returned and is filling Prof. Greene's place in Latin, and Prof. Colvin, who has been among the faculty of Illinois, has consented to fill the philosophical chair made vacant by Prof. Everett's absence.

Brown has a fair prospect for football, although most of last year's team have graduated. There are several good men who are not able to play on account of their studies, and they will be missed greatly. Two games have been played already. Colby was defeated 23-0 and Wesleyan 11-0. The Princeton game comes next, on Saturday, the 10th, at Providence. A brass band has been formed, which is quite a feature of the games.

Caspar Whitney, in his review of the college baseball season, gave Brown first place.

The matter of rushing has been brought to the attention of the faculty, and the faculty has decided to make some investigation with regard to postponing the rushing season. Each fraternity has been requested to send a delegate to a meeting to be held October 7. Rhode Island Alpha is in favor of postponing the rushing season for at least one term. The outcome of this meeting is of great interest to the college at present.

The Brown chapter came back rather few in numbers; in fact, only twelve in all. We have worked hard, however, and have succeeded in pledging six freshmen and two sophomores, who, to all appearances, are strong men. The 1906 men are Howard L. Rice and Horace Deming Stone. Mr. Rice's father has died since he was pledged, and he is undecided about returning to college. The 1907 men are Edward Sumner Bailey, Carl S. Crummett, Alfred William Dickinson, Herbert Benjamin Shearer, Charles Rathbone Stark, Jr., and Horace Raymond Frank Tift.

Several honors have been conferred upon us since the last report. Elections to the Camarian club, composed of the twelve strongest men in the senior class, held last June, resulted in three Phis being

chosen, a larger number than any other fraternity in college. These men were E. LaVerne McIntyre, '04; Noble Brandon Judah, Jr., '04, and Charles Frederick Savage, '04. Noble Brandon Judah was also elected track team manager. E. L. McIntyre won the Hicks prize debate on commencement day.

Members of the chapter now occupy one whole floor in Brunonia Hall, the most desirable dormitory here. This amounts, practically, to a fraternity house, and we have rented a room in the basement for our fraternity room.

Our final initiation of freshmen will probably take place next week.
Providence, October 7, 1903.

BERTRAM H. BUXTON.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

Cornell University has opened the new year with a larger attendance than ever before. It was thought by many that there would be a great decrease in the entering class this year on account of the disastrous typhoid epidemic which Ithaca has just passed through. We are, however, glad to say that the conditions here are greatly improved, since we now have one of the most modern water supplies in the country.

Cornell's football team has not made a very good showing so far this year. The lack of heavy men and the loss by graduation of some of our best men of last year has made the team weak, but we hope to get them into shape before the season is over. Bro. Mason, '94, and Bro. Short, '00, are assisting in coaching the team.

Again Cornell won a great victory at Poughkeepsie, her crews winning all of the three races. On the return of the crews Bro. Coffin was elected captain for next year, succeeding Bro. Frenzel, who graduated last spring. This gives $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ the captaincy of the crew and the track team.

Bro. Jenning, who will again coach Cornell's baseball team, says that the freshmen class has brought in some very good material, making our baseball outlook for the coming year most promising.

New York Alpha takes pleasure in introducing Bros. William McGee, of Plainfield, N. J.; Montague Whiting and Wythe Whiting, of Mobile, Ala.; William Durand, of Ithaca, N. Y.; George Welles, of Big Flats, N. Y.; George Kothe, of Indianapolis, Ind.; Harlan Boller, of Indianapolis, Ind.; Joel Sheppard, of Quincy, Mass.; Maxwell Wiley, of Indianapolis, Ind., and Oscar Trorlicht, of St. Louis, Mo. We also take pleasure in announcing the affiliation of Bro. Evans Roy Mosher from Michigan Alpha.

Phi Delta Theta will be represented on the musical clubs this year by Bro. Terry in the glee club, and Bro. Wythe Whiting in the mandolin club.

RICHARD W. CHASE.

Ithaca, October 5, 1903.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION COLLEGE.

The opening of this college year finds both Union and New York Beta in a flourishing condition. The freshman class in the college is the largest that has entered in years and contains much good football material, which Coach Smith is now hard at work developing. With this new material and the men of last year's squad, of whom only one or two have been lost by graduation, he promises that Union will have a successful season. The team has played one game, defeating

the Laureate Boat Club, of Troy, by a score of 5-0. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is represented on the team by Bros. Hays, Lent and Daun. Bro. Suardemer is manager.

The new library is practically completed and the old library is being converted into recitation rooms. The North College dormitories have been entirely refitted and remodeled and are again occupied.

New York Beta returns nine old men, Bro. Moon, ex-'05, having re-entered with '06. We lost by graduation Bros. Willis, Bishop, Barrett, Pickens and Hawn. Bro. Donhauser, '04, has left the college to take his senior year at the medic. We have pledged four men from the entering class.

ANDREW W. LENT.

Schenectady, October 2, 1903.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

On the 23d of September Columbia University opened its doors for the academic year. One hundred and fifty years have passed since the first session of King's College, which came later to be known as Columbia College, and still later as Columbia University. The year promises to be an eventful one for the university and the chapter as well. South Field, a piece of property containing thirteen acres and directly facing the university, has been secured by the Trustees at a cost of \$2,000,000. Ground has been broken upon it for the erection of Hartley Hall, the first dormitory at Columbia. Work on the building of journalism and on the new chapel is to begin at once. The Goelet 'Alma Mater,' a figure in bronze, now rests on its pedestal overlooking the entrance to the university.

The chapter returns its '04, '05 and '06 delegations intact. Bro. D. Updike, '03, will return for special work. The chapter is well represented in all branches of undergraduate activity. Among the Columbia captains for the year are Bro. Maeder, of the crew, Bro. Pitou, of the fencing team, and Bro. Ashley, of the gym. team. Bros. Maeder, Tyler and Updike were elected to the senior society of Nacoms. Phi Delta Theta is the only fraternity holding three of the twelve active members. Beside Bro. Maeder at bow in the 'varsity crew, Bros. E. Updike, Wheeler and Miller row respectively at stroke in the four, No. 7 in the 'varsity boat, and No. 7 in the freshman boat.

At the date of writing, four men have been pledged to the chapter. All are showing promise of future activity in college affairs.

The chapter and its home, No. 415 West 117th street, are always at the command of visiting Phis. We took great pleasure in meeting the Union Phis who played here in the football game this afternoon.

New York, October 3, 1903. BURRITT N. WHEELER.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

At the very opening of college New York Epsilon sees its halls draped in memory of Bro. Henry M. Galpin, '05, who died suddenly of appendicitis and typhoid fever at the home of Bro. Seaman. Bro. Galpin was so loyal to his college, so open and frank in his manner, that one could not but feel for him the strongest and deepest affection. In him the university loses one of its best oarsman, the fraternity loses one of its devoted followers and every member of New York Epsilon feels that he has lost a true-hearted brother.

The entering class is much larger than that of previous years,

while the fraternity material is far better. New York Epsilon congratulates herself on obtaining six as good men as have entered the university. They are Fred T. Cagwin, Verona; James E. Graves, Herkimer; Walter H. Griffiths, Utica; Edwin Millen, Syracuse; Roy H. Williamson, Batavia; Harry W. Runer, Williamsport, Pa. Besides these we have affiliated a brother whom Pennsylvania Delta must have regretted to lose—Bro. James Madden.

Bro. Prouty, who was graduated in June, is back with his Alma Mater as instructor in geology. Bro. Tisdale is pursuing post-graduate work.

Phi Delta Theta is well represented in the honors and offices of Syracuse University. Bro. Robertson has founded a paper, '*The Daily Orange*', which is meeting with much approval. Bro. Lane is end on the varsity football team, while Bros. Burrell, Twombly and Russell have played in the games so far. Bro. Reubin is manager of the team. Bro. Bateman is manager of the university band.

The new dormitory and central heating plant are now in process of construction and are expected to be completed by January. A new wing is being built to the new library. Among the many gifts to the university is that of an annuity of \$6,000, from the estate of Mrs. William Reid, to be devoted exclusively to the maintenance of the library.

New York Epsilon is planning for one of the finest conventions Alpha province has ever witnessed. Money is being pledged by the alumni, and friends of the chapter in the city will open their homes for receptions, etc. The committee has been very active. A fine toast-list has been secured for the banquet and plenty of entertainment will be provided.

H. D. SANFORD.

Syracuse, October 5, 1903.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

Lafayette College entered upon her seventy-second year on September 17 with 140 freshmen.

Dr. Warfield returned to Lafayette, after a year's travel abroad, renewed in health and vigor. Judge Kirkpatrick, who filled the president's chair during Dr. Warfield's absence, retired from duty after a successful year of office. Mr. Dickenson, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, succeeds Mr. Simpson as assistant in the electrical engineering department, while Mr. Bergstreser, *Lafayette*, '02, is tutor in Latin and mathematics, in place of Mr. Sawtelle, *Lafayette*, '00, resigned.

Lafayette graduated the largest class in her history last June. Seven men went out from Phi Delta Theta. Bro. Bender, '03, is taking post-graduate work at Johns Hopkins; Bro. Burns, '03, has entered Princeton Theological Seminary; Bro. Bushnell, '03, holds a lucrative position in Newark, N. J., with the Prudential Insurance Company; Bros. Laub, '03, and Walter, '03, are studying law at the University of Michigan and New York Law, respectively; Bro. Smith, '03, is spending a year in traveling abroad with Bro. Hogg, '78, and Bro. Metzger, of Pennsylvania Zeta. Bro. Trout, '03, is located in Pittsburg, following his line of work as a civil engineer. He is also coaching the football team of the University of West Virginia. Three of our undergraduates did not return this fall. They are Bro. Bender, '06, who has entered Cornell, Bro. Peters, '06, who is study-

ing medicine at the Hahnemann Medical College in Philadelphia, and Bro. Stuart, '06, who is traveling.

Pennsylvania Alpha commenced the year with eleven men: W. W. Johnston, '04; J. M. Cooper, '05; R. S. Hubley, '05; D. E. Latham, '05; D. C. Pomeroy, '05; E. C. Smith, '05; H. L. Magee, '06; H. H. McIntire, '06; J. W. McIntire, '06; H. R. Smith, '06, and E. G. Wilson, '06. Since then we have initiated six freshman, and take great pleasure in presenting: Andrew Parker McMeen, '07, Mifflintown, Pa.; Archibald Spencer Kirkpatrick, '07, Chatham, N. J.; Warren McPherson, '07, Bridgeton, N. J.; Forrest Hulings Emmons, '07, Wilmington, Del.; Frederic Sager Welsh, '07, Bloomsburg, Pa., and Reginald Stanley Hemingway, '07, Bloomsburg, Pa. We wish to thank our alumni and other brothers in the Bond for their help in securing these men.

Our annual banquet, held during commencement week, was a grand success. About fifty men were present, and much enthusiasm was manifested.

Fraternities at Lafayette are showing much interest in the chapter-house movement. Δ K E broke ground for their house during the summer, and expect to have it ready for occupancy by the first of January. Other fraternities are purchasing lots and raising money, hoping to build in the near future. Phi Delta Theta stands high in the list.

Since college opened we have entertained Bros. Burns, '03, Bushnell, '03, Laub, '03, and Walter, '03. At this the beginning of the college year we extend to all brother Phis who may come to Easton a cordial invitation to visit the chapter. JOHN MCGILL COOPER.

Easton, October 7, 1903.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Beta is at present mourning the loss of one of her most loyal brothers. Bro. Wm. M. Robenolt, class of 1902, while engaged in lifting some heavy boxes severely strained his right lung, and a hemorrhage ensuing, he was sent to the Auburn City Hospital. For several days we were encouraged in hoping he would recover, but a sudden relapse resulted in his death.

The chapter is enjoying one of its most prosperous seasons despite the fact that the freshman class was very small and noticeably lacking in fraternity material.

The five new men initiated this year are U. D. Thomas, '07; Paul Singmaster, '07; L. D. Thomas, '07; Walter Hurd, '05, Philadelphia, Pa.; William Hartzell, Philadelphia, Pa. The '07 men are from Gettysburg.

Bros. Floto and Philsom, '03, recently made a flying trip to the chapter. Bro. H. H. Kellar, '01, was with us during the rushing season.

Bro. Trump has been elected baseball manager and secretary of the athletic association. Bro. Muhlenberg is with the football team on the Lafayette-Princeton trip. Bros. Hartzell, '05, and E. Singmaster, '05, are on the *Spectrum* staff. Bro. Hay, '03, is taking the theological course at the seminary, and his regular attendance at the meetings is a source of much help. Bro. Meisenhelder, '04, has entered the junior class at Harvard.

HAROLD S. TRUMP.

Gettysburg, October 4, 1903.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

By the graduation of the class of 1903 we lost ten active members. These and four undergraduates, who did not return, left us with but six members to begin the fall term. By hard work, however, we have secured a number of excellent men, and are proud to introduce the following new brothers: Tom C. Frame, '05, Washington, O.; Earl M. McElroy, '05, Washington, Pa.; Ralph T. Mackintosh, '05, East Liverpool, O.; Bailey Gifner, '06, East Liverpool, O.; J. B. Crow, '07, Uniontown, Pa., and Tom L. Hughes, '07, Piqua, O. We have succeeded in pledging the following men of '08 and '09: Frank B. Miller, '08, Clarence F. Covey, '08, John R. Kimmel, '08, Alex. M. Donnon, '08, John C. Ralston, '09, Henry T. McClelland, '09, and William C. Finley, '09.

Bro. Woods, '03, has left for Seattle, Wash., for an eight months' stay. Bros. Thompson, Walsh and McQuaide, '03, are studying law in Pittsburgh. Bros. Foster, '03, and Goldthorpe are following civil engineering. Bro. Libbey is artist and reporter on the *Washington Observer*.

The chapter was glad to entertain Bro. J. Robert Wright, '88, at a recent initiation. We particularly wish our alumni to visit us whenever possible and keep their interest in their mother chapter fresh. Some of the best men secured this year were located through letters which were received from alumni and other Phis. We very deeply appreciate this interest, and hope that all other Phis knowing of desirable men entering here will so advise us.

Bro. Frame is assistant football manager and member of the *Sundora* board. Bros. Dickson and Davis hold the position of president and stage director of the dramatic association. Bro. McElroy is manager of the glee club. Bro. Hughes is one of the eight athletic directors.

As in previous years, Phi Delta Theta has one of the two leaders of the cotillion club.

Pennsylvania Gamma desires to exchange college pennants with any other chapters so wishing.
HORACE W. DAVIS.

Washington, October 16, 1903.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Allegheny opened this fall with by far the largest enrollment in her history. The faculty remains the same as last year. Many improvements have been made about the college grounds and buildings.

Pennsylvania Delta returned with eighteen men, and since college opened has pledged two more. The chapterhouse on Highland avenue is being painted and repaired both inside and out. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is well represented in all the phases of college life. Bro. Turner and Bro. Hays are on the football team, which by the way has a schedule including many of the larger colleges. Bro. Mellon is captain of the basketball team, and Bro. Strickler manager of the baseball team for the coming season. Bro. Freeman is editor of the *Literary Monthly* and Bro. Howe manager. Bro. Robertson is president and Bro. Taft historian of the freshman class, while Bro. Swansen is president of the sophomore class. On the glee club are Bros. King, Swansen, Freeman, C. C. Merrill and R. V. Merrill.

The Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. reception given at the opening of the

college year in the gymnasium was a brilliant affair. Here, as at no other event in the year, the students meet on a common basis.

Meadville, October 3, 1903.

BRUCE WRIGHT.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Dickinson opened her one hundred and twenty-first year with a brighter outlook than ever before in her history. The matriculations in the college department were ninety-five—twenty more than last year, and the preparatory school is more than correspondingly large. The prospects for the law school, which opens on the 7th inst., are also encouraging.

The '03 class took ten from our number, and Bros. Swift, '04, and Buckingham, '06, do not return, leaving us but twelve men to start the year with, including Bros. Wilcox and Gordon, who are yet to return to the law school. By graduation we lost Bro. Malick, now teaching in the Shamokin high school; Bro. Robert Stuart, in business in Carlisle; Bro. Hugh Stuart, who is with the Lancaster steel works; Bro. Gray, pastor of the Willow Grove, Pa., M. E. church; Bro. Everhart, who enters the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania; Bro. Appleman, now teaching in the Swarthmore preparatory school; Bro. Haldeman, traveling for Wright, Kay & Co., fraternity jewelers; Bro. Tomkinson, teaching in Dickinson preparatory school, and Bro. Kress, practicing law in Fairmount, W. Va. Bro. Gordon was also graduated, but returns to the law department. Bro. Swift, '04, is now real estate editor of the *Baltimore Morning Herald*, and Bro. Buckingham, '06, has gone to Cuba to study the growth of tobacco.

Our ten returning men congratulate themselves on having pledged the flower of the freshman class. We have now initiated and take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity these seven men: William H. Hoffman, '06, Montgomery, Pa.; Austen B. Conn, '07, Baltimore, Md.; Collins Keller, '07, Carlisle, Pa.; Lee Roy E. Keeley, '07, Franklin, Pa.; Charles Kurtz, '07, Altoona, Pa.; Carl O. Benner, '07, Coatesville, Pa., and Carl Gehring, '07, Carlisle, Pa.

Our pledged men are George L. Kress, '07, and George P. Beck, '08. We have not yet completed our rushing season, and have bright prospects for more good material.

We are very glad to have with us, this year, Bro. Thomas P. Endicott, formerly of North Carolina Beta, who is taking a special course; and Bro. Herbert F. Laub, of Pennsylvania Alpha, who will enter the law school. Thus, with twenty-one men and prospects for two or three more, we start the year with a pleasant outlook.

Our football team is the best we have had for several years. Coach Hutchins has had them at work since the last of August, and the good effect of his training has been clearly seen in the three games played. We won from Albright College, 45-0, and held Pennsylvania down to 27-0. The game with Steelton Y. M. C. A. was lost—score 6-0, but this was encouraging when we consider that they beat us last year 28-0. Bros. H. Smith, Cramer, Endicott and Hoffman represent us on the team. Bro. Ralph Smith, who is the football manager, has arranged a schedule of hard games, but we hope for success under the direction of Coach Hutchins.

Carlisle, October 5, 1903.

Wm. H. CHEESMAN.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The college year opened September 25th, and several important changes in the college buildings were noted. The new medical laboratories, which are the most complete in the country, are ready for occupancy. The new engineering buildings are in course of erection, and, most important of all, a new athletic field is opened for our teams. The total cost of improving Franklin Field will be \$500,000, and without a doubt it is the finest football field in the country. At the west end of the field the new gymnasium is rapidly nearing completion, while the other three sides are flanked by permanent stands which form a large U. Few changes are noted in this year's faculty.

The rushing season has been keener than ever this year and Pennsylvania Zeta has been particularly fortunate. We began the year with twenty-seven men and three have been initiated. It gives us great pleasure to introduce Bros. Roy Gardiner, Toledo, Ohio; Louis Van Court, Philadelphia, Pa., and Raymond Tobias, Tamaqua, Pa. Bro. Turnbull of Lehigh will affiliate this week. Two men are pledged and ten others are under consideration. The chapter is in a most prosperous condition. All the rooms of the chapterhouse are occupied, and many of the brothers take their meals at the house.

Bros. Hendrie and McCarey, as president and vice-president of the sophomores, have had their hands full hazing the large freshman class. Bro. Hildebrand has returned for graduate study. The first swimming races were held yesterday, and Bro. McCarey entered three events. He obtained first in the half-mile and 200 yards, and third in the 100 yards. Bro. Appleton was fourth in the half-mile. Bros. Roy Gardiner and Tobias are out for the 'varsity freshman football team. Bro. William Gardiner, captain of last year's football team and crew, will coach the Chestnut Hill school team this fall. Bro. Acker is president of the Hare law club. It is with regret that we announce that Bro. Malcolm Davis will not return until the spring on account of sickness.

We wish to thank the brothers for the assistance they have given Pennsylvania Zeta during the rushing season.

Philadelphia, October 4, 1903. ROLLIN CANTWELL BARTLE.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

With the opening of Lehigh's thirty-ninth year one of the hardest rushing seasons ever witnessed here commenced. This was due to the fact that the new faculty ruling that freshmen shall not be pledged until the 15th of May goes into effect with the next year's class.

Phi Delta Theta has no reason to complain, however, as we have pledged six men from the class of 1907; with these and twelve of last year's chapter we are in excellent condition. The chapterhouse has been thoroughly renovated during the summer months, and at present is more comfortable and attractive than ever.

The university is also in a flourishing condition. Williams Hall, which was made possible mainly through the generosity of Professor Williams, is very nearly completed, and will be formally opened on Founder's Day, October the 8th. There has been but one change in the faculty. Prof. W. S. Franklin, *Kansas*, '87, who was head of the department of physics and electrical engineering, is now head of the physics department alone, Prof. Esty now having charge of the electrical engineering department.

In athletics Lehigh appears to be still advancing, the outlook for a successful football season being exceptionally bright. The gloom cast on the prospects of a winning baseball team next year by Bro. Badgley's temporary withdrawal from college has been dispelled by his return.

We have taken great pleasure, since our return to college, in entertaining Bro. Thompson, of Washington & Jefferson, and Bro. Stewart, of Lafayette. We are always glad to see any of the brothers who may be stopping in South Bethlehem. J. H. WALLACE.

South Bethlehem, October 6, 1903.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

On Saturday, October 17, we initiated four men: From the law class, Mayo Brown; from the academic class, Samuel B. Woods, Jr., Francis Smith and Richard Taylor.

Bro. Adrian Taylor has been elected president of the Y. M. C. A., thus adding another office in the university held by a Phi.

Our football team, Bro. Scott, manager, has just returned from Richmond, where the team of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute was encountered. The game resulted in a score of 21 to 0 in favor of Virginia.

This year Virginia Beta is occupying a suite of rooms in the Chancellor Building at the 'Corner.' We are very comfortably fixed, and any visiting Phi will be most cordially received.

Charlottesville, October 26, 1903.

CLAUDE M. LEE.

VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

College opens this year with unusually good prospects for another successful session. So far about a hundred and thirty students have matriculated, while new ones come in every day or two. Only one change has been made in the faculty—Prof. Bennett was elected to fill the chair of moral philosophy.

Phi Delta Theta is flourishing. We returned only three men—Bros. Blakeney, Williams and Gravely—but Bro. Leavell, from the Missouri Beta chapter, affiliated with us. K Σ is our strongest rival this year. Φ K Σ and K A are both unusually weak. No initiations have taken place as yet, on account of an agreement made by the four fraternities in college: not to 'mention fraternity matters to any non-fraternity man until December the first.' There is fine fraternity material in college this year, and no doubt Φ Δ Θ will have her very large share.

Bros. Williams and Leavell represent us on the 'varsity eleven. Bro. Blakeney is manager of the baseball team for next spring. Mr. Cox, our coach, is from Georgetown University, and knows all about football. He thinks he can get a good team from the squad of about thirty men on the field—a team good enough to beat our greatest rival, Richmond College. We have a good schedule of games, the first being on October 2. It would be hardly correct to call last year a successful one in athletics for us, but now the General Athletic Association is on a better financial as well as executive basis, and the

prospects are better for us in both baseball and football. We meet some very strong teams, but do not fear the result.

Φ Δ Θ loses some valuable men this year. Bro. Copenhaver is teaching at Bethel Academy; Bros. Wilson and Pettyjohn are completing their education, the one studying medicine in Richmond and the other engineering at Washington and Lee University; Bro. Schoolfield is in the lumber business at Mullin, S. C. We all enjoyed having Bros. Copenhaver and Wilson with us a few days at the beginning of the session. Virginia Gamma wishes these brothers all success.

RICH P. GRAVELY.

Ashland, September 25, 1903.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Virginia Zeta has prospects for a very successful year. Four old men returned, to be further strengthened by the affiliation of two brothers from Randolph-Macon and the University of Texas. Alumni in Lexington have rendered us most valuable and willing assistance in rushing, and we are able to make a very gratifying report as a result of their coöperation. Thus far we have initiated four men, the most sought after in college, three of whom were rushed by seven fraternities, including Φ Δ Θ. We are very pleased to introduce Bros. Colville, Whip, Owen Bagley and Charles Bagley. We have also pledged two men, Messrs. Stuart McBryde and Kern, the former a brother of Bro. R. J. McBryde, Jr., former president of Beta province. The chapter therefore numbers ten men at present. Next year it is expected that all these will return. We will be strengthened by our two pledges, and further by the return to college of Bros. Keeble, A. B., '01, and Witherspoon, A. B., '03, who will take law, and Bro. Bagley, B. S., '03, who will pursue a special course in geology and chemistry.

We are arranging to secure more commodious quarters, the rooms now occupied by the chapter having become too small for us.

Our reporter, Bro. Sloan, is ill at a hospital in Baltimore, where he has been confined for several weeks.

Lexington, October 7, 1903.

MALCOLM D. CAMPBELL.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The university opened this year with a larger attendance and a better equipment than ever before. Money has been donated for a handsome gymnasium and Y. M. C. A. building, which will be erected during the ensuing year. Our prospects for a football team that will beat Virginia are very bright.

North Carolina Beta was unfortunate this year in losing eight of last year's members, but was successful in securing new men. I take great pleasure in introducing Bros. Leslie E. Yelverton, Goldsboro, N. C.; Frank M. Weller, Weldon, N. C.; Sam W. Klutzz, Chester, S. C.; John Calvert, Raleigh, N. C., and Isaac London, Pittsboro, N. C., who were initiated September 14, 1903.

We have been discussing the chapterhouse question with great interest, and we have very promising plans for building. I hope to be able to give some definite information concerning this in my next letter.

The number of men so far initiated by the fraternities here are as

follows: $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, 5; $\Sigma\Alpha\Xi$, 7; $\Delta\Kappa\Xi$, 7; $\Alpha\Tau\Omega$, 5; $\Kappa\Alpha$, 2; $\Sigma\Xi$, 5; $Z\Psi$, 2, and $\Pi\Kappa\Lambda$, 1.

$\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is represented on the gridiron by Bro. Donnelly, who is one of the star players. We are exceedingly glad to hear that Bro. Winston, our famous baseball player, will return to college soon.

Chapel Hill, October 4, 1903.

T. F. HICKERSON.

KENTUCKY ALPHA DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

Central University has opened with prospects of a most successful year. There is no increase in numbers, but it is very evident that the grade of students is above that of last year. We feel assured that this year's football team will be a winner, and will uphold the high reputation which Central has made on the gridiron in past years. In the first game of the season, played September 28, against Kentucky Wesleyan, Central scored a victory by 46 to 0.

Kentucky Alpha Delta's prospects are even brighter this year than last, although last year was one of the most successful ever experienced by the chapter. Seven old men returned this fall: Bros. Waller C. Hudson, '05; Watson Andrews, '05; J. Lewis Gill, '05; Jack Brown, '04; Morgan Sparks, '06; Roy Cockran, '04, and John M. P. Thatcher, '05; also two of our alumni, Charles Schoolfield, '03, and Henry Sandifer, '03, are again with us and will most likely be affiliated and remain active members.

By the good work of the brothers, Kentucky Alpha Delta has gotten the best of the frat. material that entered college this fall. It is with pleasure that we introduce to the fraternity our six new brothers: Herchel Herrington, '06, whose brother was a member of Kentucky Delta before the consolidation; Ray Burton Wallace, '06; William McGeorge Dishman of the law school; Samuel Frederick Daugherty, '07; William Lyne Starling, '07, and Amos Ewing Turney, '07. On Saturday, September 26, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ gave a picnic to High Bridge, inviting her sisters and lady friends and one member of each of the other five fraternities here. Most of the day was spent in rowing on the Kentucky River and in visiting Boone's Cave. The most picturesque scenery in the state is along this river.

Brother Clarke of Kentucky Epsilon, who attends the department of dentistry of the university, is now with us playing at his old position of center on the football team. He is said to be the best center in the state, having done star playing with Central for two years.

Brother June Hunter, an alumnus of Kentucky Alpha Delta, made us a short visit about two weeks ago. His many friends were very glad to see him, and we hope that he will revisit us often. It is a great pleasure to our chapter to have our brothers among us for a few days if for no more. It is our sincere hope that many of our brothers from the sister chapters will visit us this year.

Danville, October 3, 1903.

JOHN M. P. THATCHER.

KENTUCKY EPSILON, KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

We have entered upon this the third year in our history with very bright prospects, and are fully determined that it shall be our best in every respect. Of last year's chapter we returned seven men and have initiated seven, making a total of fourteen men. Five of our initiates, although their first year in college, entered above freshman. We take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bros. Corneal

Kinkead, '07, B. M. E.; Chastine N. Haynes, '05, B. S.; George B Wilken, '06, B. E. M; William Fox Logan, '06, B. S.; Edward D. Carney, '06, B. M. E.; G. Henry Moore, '06, B. E. E.; Howell D. Spears, '07, B. S. We expect Bro. Pryse, '05, to return in a few days and Bro. Lond, '06, will be here for the second term.

We have pledged two prep. men for next year.

Phi Delta Theta has arranged a schedule of football games with the other frats to decide the fraternity championship.

Kentucky State has entered upon what will probably be the most prosperous year of her history. The matriculation is the heaviest ever recorded at this time of the year. We were fortunate in securing the services of Mr. C. K. Wright, of Columbia, as coach for the football team. We have better prospects for a championship team than we have had since '08. The team began the season last Friday by defeating Cynthiana Athletic Club by a score of 39 to 0.

The sixty thousand dollar dormitory for women is nearly completed, and will be opened for occupancy in November. On September 19 the corner-stone of the agricultural experimental station was laid. The building now occupied by the station situated on the campus will be used as laboratories by the chemical department.

Kentucky Epsilon has enjoyed recent visits from Bro. Gourley, Kentucky Alpha Delta ; Bro. Gold, Ohio Gamma, and Bro. Franks, New York Alpha. Bro. Miller, who attended the U. S. Naval Academy last year and led in his class, paid us a visit during his vacation. Bro. Almy received an appointment during the summer to the naval academy and has entered upon his duties there. Kentucky Epsilon is occupying the same house of last year, and extends a hearty welcome to all visiting Phis.

R. H. BARCLAY

Lexington, October 1, 1903.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

The largest freshman class in the history of the university began work on September 16, in all departments except the medical and dental, which open on October 1. The gain is especially noticeable in the engineering and law departments.

There have been three additions to the faculty since last year, the new man in each case being a Vanderbilt alumnus, as follows : in the law department Allen G. Hall, B Θ II, is secretary of the faculty and professor of law ; in the biblical department, Henry B. Carré, Σ X, is professor of biblical theology ; and in the engineering department, Granberry Jackson, K A, is professor of civil engineering, vice Robert L. Lund, Δ K E, resigned.

As the result of an entirely successful spiking season, we take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bros. John Owsley Manier, son of Bro. W. R. Manier, Sr.; Morton B. Howell III, son of Bro. A. E. Howell ; Glenn Andrews Hall, son of Prof. Hall, above mentioned ; Thomas C. Keeling and Horace L. Allen, all of Nashville ; Elijah Haynes Ayres, of Spring Hill, Tenn.; and Edward Gilmer Thompson, of Mariana, Ark. These with three affiliates, Bro. Carroll from Georgia Delta, Bro. Barrett from Mississippi Alpha, and Bro. Mendenhall of Tennessee Beta, give us a chapter of twenty-six members.

We had the pleasure of having with us at the initiation ceremony, Bro. Barrs, '78, of Jacksonville, Fla. He was largely instrumental in

founding Tennessee Alpha, and related some amusing experiences in the early days of the chapter.

The football team has been practicing for some time, and the prospects are that under the leadership of Coach Henry, from the University of Chicago, and Capt. Kyle, we will have one of the best teams in our history. Bro. Tigert, full-back, and Bros. Bryan and J. T. Howell, ends of last year's team, are back and will be in their old places. Bro. Manier is on the 'varsity squad, and Bros. Lee, Weaver, Ayres, M. B. Howell, Keeling and Hall are on the scrub team.

The new initiates into Φ B K will soon be made known, and it is certain that at least two Phis will be among the number. Bro. Tigert is captain of the basket-ball team for this year, and we hold the presidency of one literary society. Bro. Cornelius is one of the editors of the *Observer*, the college literary monthly.

Altogether, there is no danger that Tennessee Alpha will lose the position she has always held—at the top. ADOLPHE F. NYE.

Nashville, September 28, 1903.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Trinity term began with the largest entrance the academic department has ever known. The new men have been with us over a month, and we find most of them very pleasant fellows, now that the rough edges are worn off. Good, healthy life in all our many spheres of activity is the result of this influx. The dances are all pleasant, the picnics, receptions and 'feasts' are jolly. There are lots of meds., the literary societies are flourishing, the *Literary Magazine* is a credit to the university, and there is a fair amount of hard work done.

Our chapter has been fortunate this term in the return of several loyal brothers. Bro. Miles Watkins has come back full of enthusiasm and energy. He is a football player of no small renown, and Tennessee Beta's center rush. In our opinion, Bro. Hodgson is one of the best alumni members in the United States, and with his home support, undoubtedly the best on the mountain. In addition we have had the pleasure of welcoming Bros. Dowdy, Wilder and Mitchell.

Bro. Mitchell has come to fill the position of instructor in the Sewanee grammar school, and will, we hope, be with us for many meetings.

At the meeting of the athletic association, Bro. Kirby-Smith was elected president and Bro. Williams secretary and treasurer. Every student of the university is a member of the association, and the officers are elected by general vote. Meetings are held semi-annually.

Since our last letter Bro. Brown has been elected secretary of Pi Omega Literary Society, and secretary and treasurer of the Brotherhood of Saint Andrew.

Our rather informal reception was very pleasant. Most of those invited were new men. The yard was strung with Chinese lanterns and presented a very attractive sight.

Sewanee fraternities are active during this term, and our chapter hopes to be able to forward a good report at the end.

Sewanee, August 10, 1903.

PAUL LEE ELLERBE.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

With a great deal of pleasure I send this first report to the SCROLL for this college year. The University of Georgia opened on September 15 under most favorable conditions. The enrollment bids fair to reach a larger number than it has during any preceding year. Several new buildings are in course of erection on the campus, one of which is the new library, the gift of Mr. Peabody. In every way the university seems to be gaining precedence as a great educational institution.

Georgia Alpha has started out to make this year the most successful in her history, and to try to do her duty in every way to the fraternity and its officers. The house occupied by the chapter is one of the most desirable houses for fraternity purposes in Athens. Although the enrollment was large, the number of good fraternity men among the new students was exceedingly small. We returned eight men from our last year's chapter, and have with us this year two affiliates: Bros. T. T. Turnbull, Law, '04, and Julian Willingham, '07, both from Georgia Beta. Besides these we have initiated five new brothers into the mysteries of Phi Delta Theta, and with a great deal of pleasure present to the sister chapters these men whom we consider to be the best who have entered college here this fall: Warren R. Woodward, Barnesville, Ga.; Aaron H. Reppord, Savannah, Ga.; Cadmus Dozier, Gainesville, Ga.; Emory Parks, Lagrange, Ga., and Cleveland Pierce, Key West, Fla. We also have under consideration several others whom we may take in.

We have had several alumni visitors at the chapterhouse, among whom were Bros. Burney, Lamar, Bell, Camp and Ellis.

Athens, October 6, 1903. WALTER O. MARSHBURN.

GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

We wish to introduce seven most excellent men whom we have initiated and also one whom we have pledged. They are Bros. Hugh P. Burton, '06, Monticello, Ga.; John O. Christian, '06, Savannah, Ga.; Andrew Quillian, '06, Milledgeville, Ga.; G. Tracy Cunningham, '06, Oglethorpe, Ga.; Floyd W. Cox, '06, Dothan, Ala.; E. Earl King, '06, Brownsville, Tenn.; James Hinton, '06, Macon, Ga. Our pledge is Willis P. Francis, '08, Waycross, Ga.

Emory College opened September 16, with about 150 new men and fraternity material was more plentiful than in several years previous. We returned eight men, and never before in Georgia Beta's history have the prospects been brighter for a prosperous year. There have been several changes in the faculty. Prof. Turner has been elected to the chair of Latin, lately made vacant by the resignation of H. M. Arnold; Dr. Stewart Roberts has been elected to fill the chair of biology, and Dr. R. H. Smith that of mental and moral philosophy. Many improvements have been made in the gymnasium and on the campus. The new science hall has been completed and is one of the most elegant of its kind in the South. Also Few and Phi Gamma literary society halls have been remodeled and are in a splendid state of repairs.

The non-fraternity 'blow-hard' is nothing more than a malicious sensation and never can accomplish anything at Emory.

Bro. Richardson has been elected manager of the track team, and nothing mars the prospect for a successful year under his efficient management. He also holds the position of half-back on the senior football team. Bro. Rayne is manager and half-back of the junior football team. Bro. Tarbutton will probably make tackle on the same. Bro. Brown has been elected Dux of the class of '06, which is an evidence of his popularity among his classmates. Bros. Quillian, Cox King, Christian and Poage will make the sophomore team. Bro. Poage has been elected baseball manager and is also president of the sophomore social club.

WALES W. THOMAS.

Oxford, October 22, 1903.

GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

Two new buildings have been added to the equipment of Mercer since the last collegiate year closed. They are the new science hall and the new Y. M. C. A. hall, both donations from friends of the institution. The new science hall will greatly facilitate the pursuit of studies in the departments of chemistry and physics, and it will also furnish excellent laboratories and lecture rooms for the new School of Pharmacy. This department of the institution has opened with splendid prospects for a successful year.

The Y. M. C. A. hall will furnish adequate and appropriate quarters for this important factor of college life.

In all branches of the university the enrollment is larger than ever before. With the additional equipment and increased attendance the college year should be a most successful one.

Georgia Gamma has more than held her own throughout the rushing season, returning fifteen men and initiating four. The initiates are Bros. MacDavid, Horton, Anderson, S. C.; Harris Neill, Fort Valley, Ga.; Fred Newkirk, Shellman, Ga., and Thomas V. Williams, Ty Ty, Ga. The chapter is in splendid condition, and is maintaining, as always, its high standard in studies, athletics and in society.

At the close of the last college year $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ won every honor in the law class, Bro. W. D. McNeill leading his class and writing the best thesis on Constitutional Law. Phi Delta Theta also won second place in these contests. In the literary department Bro. Frank T. Long was awarded the English medal.

Bros. Pate, Stakely and Wilson represented $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ most creditably on the baseball team. Bro. E. N. Lewis was elected manager of the football team and Bro. Frank T. Long manager of the track team.

Macon, October 5, 1903.

EDWARDS B MURRAY.

GEORGIA DELTA, GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

Georgia Delta begins the present school year under most favorable circumstances. Already we bid fair to equal, if not surpass, our fine record of last year.

We lost four men by graduation, Bros. Howard, Rankin, Roberts and Peteet. Bro. Evans, who graduated last year, is taking post-graduate work. Bros. Cornwell and Mastin will not return. We regret very much to lose these men, for they have always stood foremost in the different lines of college activity. Bros. Roberts, Rankin and Howard graduated with honors.

Although college does not formally open till tomorrow, we have not been idle, and now take pleasure in introducing Bros. G.W.

H. Cheney, '07, Rome, Ga.; A. Collins Knight, '07, Cartersville, Ga.; Carter Arnold, '07, Elberton, Ga.; Walter Blun, '07, Savannah, Ga.; Lyman Wilcox, '06, Savannah, Ga., and Albert Stout, '07, Clarkesville, Tenn.

Since our last letter, Chi Phi has entered the Tech. We are glad to see another fraternity on the field. There are also organized clubs applying for charters from Theta Delta Chi and Phi Kappa Sigma. They have our best wishes. Prof. Wallace, the senior professor of English, is a Theta Delta Chi, and is taking a great deal of interest in the movement.

For the past two weeks our football team has been practicing very hard, and is already doing some fast and effective work. Coach Huie, one of our old players, seems determined to put out a winning team. Bros. Raht and Davies are two of the most promising candidates. Bro. Davies played half-back last year till he was disabled. Bro. Winship is the newly elected secretary of the athletic association. This gives us a vote on the advisory board.

The rapid growth of the Tech. for the past few years is going to be continued at a much faster pace than before. Since last year there has been a new dining-hall erected, and we are also promised the long-needed chemistry building.

Georgia Delta has been hearing of the good records of her sister Georgia chapters. We congratulate them on their great success.

Atlanta, October 5, 1903.

H. J. SCALES.

ALABAMA ALPHA. UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

The University of Alabama had a very successful opening this year, and the prospects for the college and fraternity are very bright. Alabama Alpha returned with fourteen old men, including Bro. J. D. McQueen, '02, who comes to take law, and Bro. J. H. Kirkpatrick, '03, as a Fellowship student. Eight new men were initiated two weeks after college opened, and after the initiation they were given a banquet. Our chapter now numbers twenty-two.

The Phi's have taken their share of the honors this session. Bro. R. R. Banks, '04, was elected manager of the football team, but did not return. Bro. J. H. Kirkpatrick was appointed editor-in-chief of the *Crimson-White*, and Bro. Edgar Finch was also given a place on the editorial staff; he is also leader of the Junior German Club. Bro. T. C. McCorvey, Jr., '07, is president of the freshman class. Bro. F. B. Clark, '05, and Bro. W. C. Oats, '06, are both on the football team. Bro. J. D. McQueen is a substitute.

The Phis gave a very successful opening German on Friday evening, September 11. Several novel features were introduced which added much to the pleasure of the occasion.

The following are the initiates, whom we take pleasure in introducing: W. C. Oats, Jr., '06, Montgomery; W. M. Mudd, '06, Birmingham; Seers Lee, '07, Birmingham; Monroe Lanier, '07, Birmingham; O. S. Rand, '07, Huntsville; J. D. Humphries, '07, Huntsville; T. C. McCorvey, Jr., '07, Tuscaloosa, and J. W. McEachin, '07, Tuscaloosa.

Tuscaloosa, October 7, 1903.

EDGAR LAROCHE CLARKSON.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

College opened this year with a larger attendance than ever before in its history. Alabama Beta was also very lucky in this respect, having every old member to return with the exception of Bros. Taylor and Thornton, last year's graduates.

Up to this date we have initiated four men and have one pledged. The initiates are Bros. Browder, '07, Livingston, Ala.; Lipscomb, '07, Demopolis, Ala.; Jordon, '06, Huntsville, Ala., and Johnson, '05, Columbus, Ga. I take pleasure in introducing them to the fraternity at large.

At a recent meeting of the senior class Bro. McDonnell was elected historian. Bro. McDonnell was also elected assistant editor of *Orange and Blue* for the ensuing year. Bro. Chambers was recently made captain of staff; Bro. Boyd, '06, was elected president of his class, and Bro. Bray, historian. Bro. Boyd, '05, is vice-president of the Junior German Club.

J. SEABORN BOYD.

Auburn, October 7, 1903.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

Miami University enters upon the eightieth year of her history with a larger enrollment than ever before. To provide for this much increased attendance, new departments with complete equipment have been created, and several additions have been made to the faculties. Miami seems to have taken on new vigor, and it is the hope of all her friends that her good fortune may continue, and that in the future she may be as prominent a factor in the educational world as she has been in the past.

Ohio Alpha has been equally prosperous. Our success during the rushing season this year was materially a repetition of past successes, and already we have landed five of the best men the new student body has had to offer. Two of our new men have made the football team, and our prospects for athletic work this year are very bright.

We are very happy to have with us this year Bro. Rowland, an alumnus of our chapter and a member of the class of '96. After his graduation Bro. Rowland accepted a position as a surveyor and returns to Miami this year to prepare himself more thoroughly for his chosen profession.

It is much to our regret that we will not have Bros. Fuller, Argabright and Brody with us this year. Bro. Fuller will attend the Upper Iowa University, Bro. Argabright will remain in Dayton, where he has an excellent position in a bank, and Bro. Brody will not return because of ill health.

Bros. Cullen and Shell visited the chapter last month.

Oxford, Ohio, October 2, 1903.

HOWARD S. SMITH.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

To all the brothers in Phi Delta Theta, Ohio Beta sends greeting.

Ohio Beta began the new year under very discouraging circumstances, but we are now, without a doubt, the best located fraternity at Ohio Wesleyan. Our new house was purchased last spring, but we were unable to secure possession until October 1. And when the

time came for us 'To go up and possess it,' every member exerted his utmost ability, and today, October third, finds us luxuriously located in a permanent home.

Even though greatly handicapped in the rushing season, we came off victorious with six of the best of the new students. Our new men are Horace George Whitney, '08, Mt. Gilead, Ohio; Andrew Prout, '07, Prout, Ohio; John Wesley Pontius, '06, Charles Pontius, '08, Chicora, Pa.; Thomas Stewart, '07, Milroy, Ind., and Charles M. Brown, '07, Portsmouth, Ohio.

The changes in the faculty at O. W. U. are few. Miss Nelson once more resumes the chair of French after a year's leave of absence. Prof. L. M. Marshall, *O. W. U.*, '98, *Harvard*, '03, now occupies the chair of Economics. Prof. Marshall enjoys the reputation of being the youngest professor in this branch in the United States. Prof. George Marshall is the new instructor in the school of music.

On the evening of July 4, last, Elliott Hall, the oldest building at Ohio Wesleyan, was seriously damaged by fire. For a time it was considered a total loss, but by later investigations it was thought best to restore it. The work of reconstruction was begun almost immediately, and the building will be ready for occupancy about November first.

The football team at present does not reach the standard of the last few years, because of the new and inexperienced men on the squad. Coach Place is a splendid man for the position, and while he has a hard task in rounding out a winning team, we expect to hold our own with the others of the 'Big Six' league.

Subscriptions for the new gymnasium have been coming in during the past year, and work will be commenced next spring.

Ohio Beta lost nine men by graduation and two left to attend other schools.

That we are receiving our share of college honors, may be seen in the following: Bro. Whitehouse, captain; Bro. Ball, first lieutenant; Bro. Shaw, second lieutenant; Bro. Van Wicklen, first sergeant, and Bro. Rardin, second sergeant, of the cadet corps. Bro. Braun is treasurer of the senior lecture course committee and president of the history club. Bro. Hutchinson is assistant in history and first assistant editor of *The Transcript*. Bro. Van Wicklen is president of Crestomatheon and Laughlin (pledged) is president of Cala-Phio literary societies.

The Phis at Ohio Wesleyan are looking forward with a great deal of interest to Thanksgiving week, when we will entertain Delta province convention, full arrangements for which are being rapidly completed.

We have already received a very pleasant and profitable visit from Dr. J. E. Brown, P. G. C., and now that we are so favorably located in our new home, a full account of which was printed in the June SCROLL, we more than ever extend a hearty welcome to all Phis who can come our way.

WILL H. MITCHELL.

Delaware, October 3, 1903.

OHIO DΔMΔ, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

The centennial year of Ohio University opened with a good increase over last year's enrollment.

Our annual banquet took place in June during commencement

week. The toast-master was Bro. W. E. Bundy, class of '86, who has since passed away.

The summer school at O. U. this year broke all records in point of attendance. Several Phis attended.

The rushing season, on account of the scarcity of fraternity material, has been rather quiet. We have initiated one man, Bro. W. H. Norton, of Staunton, Va., whom we now wish to present. We have also pledged Mr. N. M. Watkins, of Portsmouth, Ohio, and have several others in sight. After the initiation ceremonies, the members of the chapter repaired to Hotel Berry, where they took dinner with the alumni.

We return nine old men. Bro. Tinker, of Pennsylvania Gamma, is with us this fall and expects to affiliate. B Θ II returns about five men, and has not as yet initiated. Δ T Δ returns five men, and has initiated several. The sororities have not as yet initiated, but have good chapters.

We lost several excellent men this year. Bro. F. E. Coultrap is not in college this term. Bro. Alderman is attending Harvard, with Bro. Wood, '03, who is in the law department there. Bro. Wolfe has a position in Athens, but may re-enter school later.

The football outlook was rather gloomy at the opening of college, but, under the efficient coaching of Bro. Sullivan, the prospects for a winning team are considerably increased. Ohio Gamma is represented on the squad by Bros. McClure and Jones.

Athens, October 10, 1903.

JOHN H. PRESTON.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

The university opened on September 22, and the enrollment so far seems to indicate that all previous records for attendance will be broken. The registration is not yet completed, but already there is an increase of 181 over last year at this time. Brown Hall and the veterinary building will be occupied for the first time this fall.

Prospects for a winning football team are very bright, as there is much available material, and Coach Hale is back again for another year.

Ohio Zeta begins the college year with twelve men. We lost last year Bros. Helvey, Sayers, Beeler, Beebe, White, Andrews and Welliver. We take pleasure in introducing Bro. Robert Barringer, '06, who was initiated into the mysteries of Φ Δ Θ at the beginning of the term. We were honored in having Dr. J. E. Brown, president of the general council, take part in the initiation ceremony.

So far this year we have pledged four men, who are to be taken into the chapter in a short time. The initiation is to be followed by a banquet, at which a number of the alumni will be present. Besides the men already pledged, we have under consideration a number of good men, whom we expect to secure. There is more available material than ever before, and the chapter desires to thank the many alumni who have written, recommending men to us. Several of those recommended have been pledged, and others are being looked after by the rushing committee.

We had quite a number of visiting Phis with us at the beginning of the college year, among them Bros. Bock, Helvey, Ruggles, Moore, Sayers and Welliver. Bro. Sayers expects to be with us again after the Christmas vacation.

Ohio Zeta extends a cordial invitation to all visiting brothers who come to Columbus to call at the house and make it their headquarters.

E. D. ROVON.

Columbus, September 27, 1903.

OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

Case has opened the fall session with the incoming class somewhat smaller than usual. This is the result of a new method of entrance conditions adopted by the faculty, only those being admitted who creditably pass required examinations.

The selection of Dr. Howe as president of Case is very gratifying to all lovers of the Brown and White. Dr. Howe came to Case in 1889 to become professor of mathematics and astronomy. Upon the resignation of President Staley, in 1901, he was made acting president, continuing as such until June, 1903, when he was appointed president.

This year we are not represented on the faculty, Bro. Springsteen, Ohio Eta, '97, being still away on his leave of absence. He is at Johns Hopkins University taking post-graduate work in French and Physics.

Commencement week was a lively season. One of the features was the reception given by the chapter to the faculty and their wives. Invitations were issued for Thursday, June 11, from 4 to 6. Nearly every invitation was responded to, there being over one hundred guests present. Our pleasant home was made unusually attractive through the efforts of a committee with Bro. Case, '04, as chairman. Following the reception the chapter enjoyed a house party given for the seniors.

The senior banquet occurred, as usual, after the last meeting in June. We were glad to see the alumni give evidence of interest by being present. Next year we shall expect more of them to be with us. Our chapterhouse, being open all summer, has consequently been the scene of many social evenings. We want the Phis in Cleveland to feel they can come out here at any time and find open house.

In athletics Case was unusually successful the past year. We won the state championship in both football and baseball. We lost first place in the 'big six' meet to Oberlin.

The football season has opened, and the team is out for state championship honors, with Bro. Cadle, '04, as captain. On the 'varsity we have Bro. Cadle, '04; Bro. Charlesworth, '04; Bro. Resch, '05; Bro. Selby, '04; Bro. Steiner, '05; Bro. Baker, '06, and Bro. Schroeder, '07.

A new periodical has been launched at Case. It is a weekly paper known as the *Case Tech*. Bro. Selby, '04, is business manager; Bro. Brennen, '04, is exchange editor, and Bro. Emerson, '05, associate editor.

The rushing season just closed has been one of the most active in the history of fraternities at Case. As a result of our work we take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bros. Walter Carl Schroeder, '07, Cleveland, Ohio; Howey Charles Booth, '07, Geneseo, N. Y.; Arthur Boardmen Roberts, '07, Cleveland, Ohio; Maurice Converse, '07, Cleveland, Ohio; Wm. F. Bourne, '07, Cleveland, Ohio, and John Nelson Barkdull, '07, Toledo, Ohio. They were initiated October 10. We feel particularly satisfied with our work in that we pledged every

man bid. We hope the same good fortune has been with the other chapters. Any Phi coming into Cleveland may rest assured he will find a hearty welcome awaiting him with Ohio Eta.

Cleveland, October 11, 1903.

F. L. HICKOK.

OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

The year 1902-'03 closed most auspiciously on June 21 with extraordinary festivities, the occasion being the dedication of Cunningham Hall, the Van Wormer Library, the Technical School and the Athletic Field. Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson, as the chief orator of the day, delivered a most instructive and interesting address on 'Agricultural Education.' Dr. Ayers surprised him at the close by conferring upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws, investing him with cap and gown. The other distinguished speakers were Francis B. Loomis, First Assistant Secretary of State; Hon. M. E. Ingalls, president of the Big Four R. R., one of the foremost patrons of the Technical School, and Judges Rufus B. Smith and J. R. Saylor. Acting mayor of Cincinnati, H. L. Gordon accepted the aforementioned gifts in the name of the city and turned them over to the trustees, whereupon President Howard Ayers, Ph. D., LL. D., after a most eloquent and exceedingly fitting address formally dedicated the same. The very imposing dedicatory exercises were preceded by a grand parade around the campus of representatives of the public, private and high schools of Cincinnati, the students of the academic, engineering, medical, dental and law departments, the alumni and the faculties of the various departments of the university. In these exercises, Phi Delta Theta came in for a liberal share of the honors, Bro. Edward Pflueger being staff marshal, and Bro. Harry C. Fetsch a division marshal.

At the final convocation, Bro. Harry C. Fetsch was awarded the Matthew Thoms honorary scholarship.

As the university draws largely from the local, suburban and nearby preparatory and high schools, rushing is quite active during the summer months. The result was very satisfactory, and we came out with flying colors, pledging nine new men, with good prospects for more. Of these, seven have been initiated, and Ohio Theta presents to the fraternity Bros. Henry Brown McGill, Cincinnati; Charles Albert Schroetter, Covington, Ky.; Erwin Felix Bahlman, Walter Morris, John Bruce Weber, Karl Alfred Vogeler, George Roberg Thompson. The first three are 'our inheritance' from elder brothers. Bro. Brown McGill was a member of the Mystic Seven, at Woodward high school, and influential in school politics. Bro. Charles Albert Schroetter was for two years editor of *The Student*, the Covington, Ky., high school paper. He was a member of the football and basketball teams, and is an all-round athlete. Bro. Morris was on the football and baseball teams of Hughes high school. Bro. Bruce Weber was editor of the Walnut Hills high school paper, *The Gleam*. Bro. Carl Vogeler was prominent in dramatics, and Bro. George Thompson was a member of the debating club of Walnut Hills. In fact, every one of the new initiates is a man who will increase the influence of our chapter and who will zealously labor for the honor and glory of our alma mater.

The present strength of the different fraternities at U. C. is as follows: Phi Delta Theta returned 12, pledged 9; Beta Theta Pi re-

turned 12, pledged 9; Sigma Chi returned 8, pledged 4; Sigma Alpha Epsilon returned 6, pledged 8.

October 2 the annual flag rush took place. Bro. Alfred Kreimer was captain of the sophs.; Bro. Calvin Vos was coach, and Bro. Oscar Remelin was one of the referees for the same class. Bro. Harry Fetsch was one of the referees for the freshies, and Bro. Arthur Vos, A. B., '00, M. D., '03, was umpire.

We take pleasure in announcing the marriage of Bro. O. H. Schlemmer, '02, M. E., with Miss Blanche Leuchtenberg, of Colorado Springs, June 24. They have made Cincinnati their home and have the hearty congratulations of Ohio Theta.

Bro. Harry Rardon, D. D. S., formerly of Ohio Beta, who affiliated with us while attending the dental department, has opened an office at No. 5 Garfield Place.

On October 3 we were pleased to meet Bro. G. L. Gold, formerly of Ohio Gamma, who, passing through the city on a business trip, spent the evening in our midst. On the same day we had the good fortune of extending a welcome hand to a number of brothers of Indiana Epsilon, who came over from Hanover with the football team.

On October 17 several members of our mother chapter, Ohio Alpha, called after the football game and tarried with us until train time.

Bro. Neil McGill did not return this fall, having gone to the University of California. Bro. W. H. Filmore, '03, has entered the arena of finance, and makes his headquarters at 405 Union Trust Building. Bro. Charles C. Schneider has left us temporarily to take charge of the laboratories of W. Simonson, of Cincinnati, during the latter's scientific trip to Alaska. Bro. Wm. Fetsch, 1902, has established an analytical laboratory at 2530 West Sixth street.

In honors, Ohio Theta scores as follows: Bro. Wm. Clark, treasurer of the juniors; Bro. Curtis Williams represents the sophomores as a member of the athletic council; Bro. Calvin Vos is business manager of the *University News*, our weekly publication; Bro. Alfred Kreimer is assistant business manager, and Bro. Harry Fetsch is a member of the editorial staff; Bro. Oscar B. Remelin is assistant manager of the football team. On the football team Phi Delta Theta interests are well supported by Bros. Kreimer, Williams and Albert Schroetter. On the glee club we are represented by Calvin Vos, director, Edwin O. Schroetter, accompanist, and Bros. Bebb, Holdredge and Pflueger. Bro. Calvin Vos is also director of the girls' glee club. The writer is president of the Y. M. C. A. and secretary of the Forum.

EDWIN O. SCHROETTER.

Cincinnati, October 19, 1903.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Michigan Alpha has opened the new year with but thirteen of her old men back, having lost seven men by graduation. Most of the men returned a week early, but were disappointed in finding the house far from complete. The second and third floors were scarcely finished, but the fellows moved in and made the best of it. At first, the outlook for rushing was rather gloomy, being compelled to take rushees to the hotel for meals. However, by hard, consistent work, we have pledged eight good men, one of whom is a prominent candidate for the football team. Considering the difficulties under which

we have been rushing, we consider ourselves fortunate in pledging every man we have bid. We have four or five other good men under consideration, and after closing up matters with them, we will culminate the rushing by the regular fall initiation. Bro. Solier, of Illinois Beta, has signified his intention of affiliating with the chapter.

The house is rapidly nearing completion and in the course of four or five weeks we hope to see it finished. We expect to have the dining-room in shape to commence boarding in the house very soon, and then all that is lacking is the laying of the hard-wood floors on the first floor and the finishing of the main stairway. The furniture has been ordered and is chiefly of the Mission style. When everything is in readiness, we intend to formally dedicate our new home by holding open house, which we earnestly hope many Phis will be able to attend.

The prospects of the university are unusually bright, with larger appropriations from the state and a constant strengthening of the faculty. The number of students is considerably increased, the greatest gain being in the engineering department. Quite a number of Cornell students have entered the university as a result of the recent typhoid epidemic at Ithaca.

The new engineering building is soon to be ready for occupancy, and will greatly strengthen the engineering courses. The new 300-foot tank will make the course in marine engineering the best equipped in the country.

Bro. Davis, who was catcher on the baseball team, was awarded his 'M' at the end of the season.

Bros. Fred Hoover, Walter Fox, Roy Chapin, Fred Lowrey, Paul Steketee and Max Ross have been welcome visitors at the house this week. We extend a hearty welcome to all visiting Phis.

Ann Arbor, October 7, 1903.

CARL H. UPMAYER.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

The University of Indiana opened with prospects for a most successful year and a record-breaking attendance. Indications are that the total enrollment this year will be 1,700.

The new science hall, a magnificent structure, has been completed and is now in use. It stands three stories high, and is made entirely of white stone. An extensive course in any branch of science can now be had.

The Hon. Enoch G. Hogate is a recent addition to the law faculty. Mr. Hogate was a candidate for the Republican nomination for governor at the last convention, and was defeated by one vote.

Indiana Alpha is keeping pace with the university's successful strides. We are located on East Third street, in a large three-story structure which faces the campus. It has all modern improvements, and is conceded to be the best fraternity house in the city. We returned twelve old men, and were very successful in our rushing season.

We take pleasure in introducing the following new men: Butler Williamson, of New Albany; George Kirker, of Moweaqua, Ill.; Robert Morrison, of Bedford; Charles Kemp, of Tipton, and John

H. Milligan, of Newcastle. We are not through rushing, and hope to introduce several more before the term closes.

Football prospects here are very bright. Forty or fifty aspirants for the team are hard at work under Coaches Horne, King and Pike. Coach King, a former Indiana man, made quite a reputation as center on the Harvard team last year. These coaches expect to develop a winning team. Bros. Kent and Shirk, who played some last year, have made their places on the 'varsity. Bros. Cisco and Smith are trying for positions.

Bro. Markle, Indiana's well-known football man, has accepted a scholarship at Swarthmore College.

Bro. Tuley attended the Equitable Life Insurance school for college graduates in New York this summer, and returns a full-fledged insurance man.

All This who visit in Bloomington are cordially invited to make themselves known to the members of Indiana Alpha, and to visit us in our home.

J. HARVEY SMITH.

Bloomington, October 3, 1903.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

The college year opened on September 15, with the largest enrollment since 1888. There have been no changes in the faculty. Every department has gained wonderfully and Wabash is now enjoying a season of great prosperity.

The spiking season is not yet on, as the five fraternities here last year agreed that no spiking should be done until after November 1. However, everybody is given the privilege of rushing, and by this time it is evident where most of the new men will land. We are finding this plan very successful.

Indiana Beta begins the year with better prospects and in better condition than in any year of her history. We now have only one rival to be feared and are on a sound financial basis. Since last year we have raised enough money to buy a chapterhouse, and one that is far superior to the other fraternity house here. On October 5th the deed was signed by which we became owner of a large brick house of fourteen rooms, situated very conveniently to both the college and town. We expect to take possession December 1, so that we may begin the new year in our own home. Phi Gamma Delta is the only other fraternity in a house here.

Indiana Beta returned thirteen men this year. Bro. Hasbrouck is doing post-graduate work and assisting in the chemistry department. We have five prospective men whom we will be able to introduce in the next SCROLL. We are pushing a movement for the organization of a Pan-Hellenic Council, to discuss such matters as may concern the Greeks here.

In college athletics, Phi Delta Theta is not very well represented, but what men we have out hold the highest positions. We have no men on the 'varsity, which is gaining such an excellent reputation for itself this year. We have beaten Indiana University 5 to 0, held Purdue 17 to 0, and won from the Indianapolis medical school by 31 to 0. Capt. Reed, of the track team, who was pledged last year, has a track squad of twenty men and expects to develop some good material. Basketball has been started, and Phi Delta Theta will be represented there by Bros. Loop, Reed and Boulton.

Crawfordsville, October 20, 1903.

R. D. SCHROCK.

INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS.

Butler began the session with an attendance but slightly increased, if at all, over that of last year. The freshman class numbers about sixty, of which number over half are girls. Aside from actual numbers the outlook is promising. The new library is practically complete and will be opened November 1. The campus has been improved in several respects and some additions made to the gymnasium. By spring the new athletic field will be ready for the baseball and track teams. This will fill a long-felt want of the college.

President Scot Butler has tendered his resignation, but will retain his position throughout the present year. Bro. W. R. Longley, '02, comes this year to take the chair of mathematics and astronomy vacated by Prof. Kietz.

Since our last letter we have initiated Mark H. Brown, '07, of this city, and take pleasure in introducing him as a brother. Bro. Brown is a son of Bro. Hilton U. Brown, who was at one time president of the general council.

Fraternity material this year is very limited. We returned nine men, and have, so far, pledged Messrs. Zach Sanderson, '07, of Marion, Indiana, and William Edgar Wheaton, '07, of Putnam, Conn. Σ X returned three men and have taken three; Δ T Δ returned five and have pledged two.

Only two of our last year's chapter failed to return, Bro. Edwin S. Brown going to the University of Wisconsin, and Bro. Guffin to the University of Michigan.

We look forward to a prosperous year, starting as we do with the strongest chapter in college.

We wish success to all our sister chapters.

Irvington, October 15, 1903.

PAUL MURRAY.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

Franklin College was formally opened October 1, with a very helpful and masterly address by E. A. Hanley, D. D., of Cleveland, Ohio. The prospects for Franklin were never brighter. About \$20,000 has been expended on the college buildings, making them among the best in the State, also a library building to cost \$30,000 is in course of erection and will be ready for occupancy by January 1. The attendance this year is also gratifying, the freshman class being much larger than in former years, while there are many new students in the advanced classes. The only change in the faculty is in the history department, Prof. C. N. Peak succeeding Prof. A. E. Bester who has gone to Chicago University for post-graduate work.

Indiana Delta returned twelve men and one pledge this year, all very enthusiastic. On October 5 we gave a stag banquet in honor of our spikes and friends and as a result three of the four men spiked put on the argent and azure the following morning. Again, on October 8, we entertained for our pledges and spikes. A large number of our alumni were present assuring us of their support and co-operation at all times. We present with great pleasure Bro. Thomas Neal, of Lebanon, Ind., Bros. Earl Creacraft and Merle Abbott, of Franklin, and Mr. Cavens Marshall, who will be initiated soon. We feel that this is to be one of the best years in the history of Indiana Delta.

As usual Indiana Delta is in the lead in athletics. Bro. Webb is

right end and captain of the football team, Bro. Branigan is left half, Bro. Miller right half, Bro. Jewett full-back, Bro. Demming quarter, and Bro. Silvers left tackle. Although very late in beginning practice the team has made a very creditable showing, having defeated Hanover and the Central 'Medics' of Indianapolis, losing the first game of the season to Shortridge high school. Bro. Hall is manager of the team and Bro. Ruick, Yale, '98, is coach. The team expects to make a strong bid for the championship of the Indiana Athletic League.

College honors have not been distributed to any extent as yet, but to date we have secured our share, Bro. Branigan being president of the athletic association and Bro. Stott president of the Perichsian, the largest literary society of the college. FRANK A. WITT.

Franklin, October 21, 1903.

INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

The opening of college on September 16 marked quite an increase in attendance over last year. During the summer a number of liberal donations were added to the college endowment, and the building of the beautiful new library is well under way. It has been conjectured by many loyal Hanoverians that there is no sectarian school, with such equipment as Hanover has, that is as well off financially.

The chapter returned with a numerical force of ten men, with which to select the desirable fraternity material among the incoming freshmen. Bro. D. Masterson the only undergraduate not returning, will attend Decatur University this year.

The spiking season was vigorous but short, and now that the smoke of battle has risen there is no doubt as to the primacy of Phi Delta Theta at Hanover.

We take great pleasure in introducing the following brothers to the general fraternity: William C. Snyder, '07, Milton, Ky.; Junius C. Rightor, '07, Helena, Ark.; M. Obrien Gore, '07, Lawrenceburg, Ind.; Donald Du Shane, '06 (pledged), South Bend, Ind.

In football Capt. S. I. Green is producing a good team with the assistance of Bro. Hatfield. This year we are represented on the 'varsity by Bros. Green, Edwards, Oldfather, Du Shane and Sipe. So far the strength of the team has not been tested; but her supporters believe that we will make a strong bid for the championship of the I. C. A. League.

Bro. Spalding represents Hanover on the state athletic board.

On the college debating team, which meets Centre College the last of November, we are represented by Bros. Hatfield and Spalding. Mr. O. T. Oglesby, B Θ II, is the third member of the team.

The chapterhouse committee has been working hard the past summer and from reports it looks like Indiana Epsilon will be able to enjoy a chapterhouse soon.

Among the social pleasures, a smoker was given by the chapter to her prospective members at the beginning of the college year.

The Alumni Association which has recently been organized at Madison, Ind., the chapter feels to be its greatest friend, as we have long felt the need of such an association. E. W. NEWTON.

Hanover, October 2, 1903.

INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

De Pauw opened this year with a slight increase in attendance. The freshman class is unusually large but many of the old students did not return. The rush is just at its close and Indiana Zeta has come out with her share, having pledged six freshmen and one junior academy. This is the greatest number pledged by any fraternity here except Phi Kappa Psi, which pledged seven freshmen.

The chapterhouse has been improved both as to quantity and style of furnishings, and with nine men rooming in the house there is no reason why the chapter should not enjoy a prosperous year. Bro. Devers, ex-'03, will be back in a few days to enter school. This will make a total active membership of sixteen. Phi Kappa Psi also leads in number of members, having about eighteen active men.

Our members stand well, both individually and collectively, with the students, faculty and townspeople. Bros. Van Sant and Hawthorne were both elected members of Kappa Tau Kappa, the honorary senior inter-fraternity society. Bro. Van Dyke was elected track captain for this year. Bro. Hawthorne was elected, by the student body, to the athletic board of control which is composed of faculty, alumni, and one student member. Mr. Jones, pledged, is president of the freshmen class for this term. Bro. Felton is manager of the sophomore football team.

The Chapterhouse Association is on good footing financially. Property will be bought as soon as a suitable location can be secured. The chapter hopes to be located permanently in a house of its own within two or three years.

The chapter has been visited by Bro. Brown, '03, Bro. Turner, ex-'05, Bro. Smith, of Indiana Alpha, and Bro. Haldeman, of Dickinson College, representative of Wright, Kay & Co., fraternity jewelers. Visiting Phis are always welcome at the chapterhouse, No. 5 East Poplar street.

RAY C. HAWTHORNE.

Greencastle, October 3, 1903.

INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

A keener college spirit has characterized the opening of the university this year than has been observed in the past, due largely, no doubt, to the noticeable improvements about the campus and the large increase in attendance. The Eliza Fowler Hall has been completed and presents the most imposing appearance of any building on the campus; the building for the new heating plant, to cost \$80,000, is progressing rapidly, and work on the installation of machinery will soon commence. In addition to these, the new physics building would also have been well under way had labor been obtainable; it will not now be begun until spring. Nothing, however, has enhanced the appearance of the university grounds so much as the new asphalt pavement which has been laid on the street, from the east side of the river to the extreme limits of the campus, and presents an extravagant but highly appreciated public improvement.

Athletics, likewise, have tended to set the college spirit on edge. For the first time in the history of the school a football camp was established prior to the opening of the college year. On August 26 last year's veterans assembled on the Tippecanoe river, at a point about twenty-five miles from Lafayette, where training was begun under the direction of Coach Cutts, *Harvard*, '02, and Pat McClaire,

a well-known trainer of eastern and western fame, who was engaged through a subscription raised by Lafayette merchants. The team lacks the weight of previous years, but the prospects for a season as successful as the past seems most favorable. A new wire fence has been erected around Stuart Field, which is well in keeping with the other university changes. Phi Delta Theta is worthily represented on the team this year by Bro. S. V. B. Miller, '05, end, and Bro. Irving H. Long, '06, guard. Bro. F. M. Hawthorn, '05, ex-*DePauw*, and D. H. Long, pledged, are also prominent candidates for positions. No other fraternity here can boast of more in this respect.

In regard to the chapter itself, it seems to have caught the contagious spirit of progression everywhere prevalent. All the old men were back at the opening except Bros. Herron, F. Jones and Sale. Bros. Jones and Sale, however, have since returned; Bro. Herron will not be back this year, as he purposed first to complete his apprenticeship with the Louisville and Nashville R. R. at Chattanooga. Bros. Ward, ex-'04, and Weyer, ex-'02, together with Bros. Wilson, '03, Bartholomew, '03, and J. F. G. Miller, '03, were back during the first week to assist in the 'rushing' and reorganization. Eight men were pledged, namely: J. L. A. Connors, '05, Columbus, Ohio, ex-captain of Ohio State track team; D. H. Long, '07, Louisville, Ky., a brother of Bro. I. H. Long; G. T. Ellis, '07, Knoxville, Tenn.; H. R. Fitton, '07, New Harmony, Ind.; Taylor Stewart, '07, Indianapolis; W. C. Miller, '07, Indianapolis; E. O. Finney, '07, Indianapolis, and W. J. Hogan, '07, Lafayette, Ind. Including 'spikes,' the chapter numbers twenty-seven.

Since the close of school, last June, Beta Theta Pi has entered Purdue, and the successful applicants of last year are now receiving the proper recognition of the faculty and the welcome of fellow Greeks. With Beta Theta Pi, Purdue's list of Greek societies numbers eight, a sufficient number, we feel, for the life and success of every one now represented. All the fraternities are on good, substantial footing, the most noticeable growth to us being that of Sigma Chi and Sigma Nu. Phi Kappa Psi and Sigma Nu have purchased houses and lots, their purpose being to build at some future date, and Phi Gamma Delta has leased a house in the city. Beta Theta Pi and Sigma Chi have likewise rented houses. Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Kappa Sigma are situated as formerly. We retain the houses and the hall of previous years, but have added numerous improvements to them, and are working, as in the past, for the realization of our new and better house to be built on the lots purchased last year.

The Pan-Hellenic Council has had its opening meeting and the best fraternity harmony characterized its actions as in the past. A banner was awarded our chapter by the council as champions of the inter-fraternity baseball league of 1903. We are planning our annual house party for Thanksgiving, and hope to make it an even greater success than it has been in the past.

Of our graduates of last year, Bro. C. W. Wilson is with the Big Four railroad in Indianapolis; Bro. J. B. Bartholomew with the Illinois Steel Company, of Chicago; Bro. W. L. Russell, with Ingersoll-Sergeant Company, New York; Bro. J. F. G. Miller, at present coach of Earlham College football team but later to be with the C. and E. I. railroad at Danville, Ill., and Bro. H. W. Irwin with General Electric Company, of Schenectady, N. Y. [In connection with Bro. Irwin

we also have the pleasure of announcing his marriage to Miss Monta Gertrude Watson, of Knightswood, Ind., on the 17th of June, 1903.

Bros. Breese, of Ohio Wesleyan, and Mathews, of Franklin, have entered Purdue this year and have been welcome guests at our house and chapter meetings.

Bro. G. H. Guthrie, ex-Franklin, who was graduated in the Purdue school of pharmacy last year, has returned to accept a position as assistant instructor in the pharmacy department.

To those brothers who may at any time be in the vicinity of our chapter during the coming year we extend a cordial and fraternal welcome.

SAMUEL G. CLIFFORD.

West Lafayette, October 3, 1903.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Illinois Alpha has started upon the new college year under most favorable conditions. We have been very fortunate in the return of all the old men with the exception of Bro. Hollister, who has entered Michigan this year. That means an active chapter of eleven with which to begin the year. Bro. Colton, who graduated from Dartmouth last year, has entered the law school, and will be affiliated with us.

We take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Mr. Leon Heblethwaite and Mr. Flint Bondurant, pledged this fall. Mr. Herbert White, Mr. Larry Barker, both of Evanston, and Mr. Elmer Albritton, of Williamsport, Pa., who were pledged last spring, enter college this fall. Mr. Albritton, however, who is recovering from a grave case of typhoid fever, will not enter until October 15.

As usual, a large freshman class has registered for the ensuing year, but there is not a large number of men who would be considered good frat. material.

Northwestern has had the good fortune to obtain the services of Mr. Walter McCornack as football coach. He comes from Dartmouth, and, judging from the excellent results obtained under his management at Dartmouth, we may expect great things. On the whole, football prospects are much brighter than they have been for some years. We are represented on the 'varsity by Bro. Allen at tackle and Bro. Colton at half.

The Northwestern, our college publication, has been changed from weekly to tri-weekly. Bro. Harker is local editor.

Bro. Alfred Loyd, who has been attending Harvard law school, has again taken up his residence in Evanston.

We are still at our old home, 1940 Orrington avenue. We extend a cordial invitation to all Phis to drop in and see us.

Evanston, October 2, 1903.

OLIN A. WAKEMAN.

ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

■ Illinois Beta lost in June by graduation Bros. MacLeish and Miner. Bros. Sheldon and Harper have entered the law school and Bros. Blakey and Miller the school of medicine. Bro. De Wolfe is doing advance work in geology. Bro. Miner has taken up professional chemistry. Bro. MacLeish has a position in New York City. Bros.

Buchwalter, '06, and Sumner, '06, have accepted positions in Chicago. Bro. Solier, '06, has entered the University of Michigan. Bro. Lybrand has a position in Indianapolis.

We returned to work this fall with eighteen active members and are in the midst of the rushing season. The new pledges are, Leeman Todd, Leavenworth, Kan.; George Nordenholz, Oak Park, Ill.; and Noel Dunbar, South Bend, Ind.

In the season past Phi Delta Theta, at the University of Chicago, has added two championship banners to her collection, making a total of five, one of which required three years to win. These are all that have been offered since inter-fraternity athletics were inaugurated. In the baseball league we drew Chi Psi for our first game, winning by a score of 12 to 10. This proved to be our hardest game. The deciding game was with Delta Tau Delta, score 21 to 7. The baseball banner was given by athletic director A. A. Stagg. The track banner was purchased by means of an assessment levied on all the fraternities. The track contest was closer than the baseball, points being won as follows: Phi Delta Theta, 32; Alpha Delta Phi, 30; Delta Upsilon, 18. The other points were well scattered.

The outlook for football is at present encouraging. Again Illinois Beta is well represented on the team by Bros. Ellsworth (Captain), Allswede, Speik and Catlin; Dunbar and Nordenholz are both candidates for the team.

In the fall elections Bro. Ellsworth was elected senior counselor, Bros. Speik and Catlin alternate junior counselors. Bros. Harper and Sheldon are assistant football coaches.

Bro. Lane, Michigan, '03, is now visiting us. We are always glad to welcome visiting Phis to our house, at 5719 Monroe avenue.

Chicago, October 7, 1903.

A. R. NOWELS.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

The college has again opened a year which bids fair to be very prosperous. The total attendance is somewhat increased over last year at the corresponding time, and the class of regular freshmen is considerably larger than usual. There have been several additions to the faculty, among them Mr. Nelson Willard, professor of Greek and director of athletics. Last year Prof. Willard held the record for the strength tests at Columbia University, and during his stay there was a member of the football and baseball teams.

Like the college, Illinois Delta has started out well on the new year. Fourteen old men returned, and we have pledged so far four men, with good prospects of two or three more in the near future. We are pleased to introduce to the fraternity Bros. Harry Auracher and Howard M. Judson, who were initiated into the chapter on the evening of September 26. Several of our alumni were with us and a pleasant banquet was enjoyed after the initiation.

The chapter occupies the same house as last year. On September 18 an opening house party was given, which proved to be a very pleasant affair. A movement is on foot among the alumni of the city to fit up as their meeting place one of the rooms in the house.

Bro. Heinly is manager of the football team and president of Adelphi literary society. Bro. Booz is business manager of the *Knox Student*. Bro. McClelland is on the '05 *Gale* board. Bros. H. Ewing, Snohr and Chase are on the football team. Several of the brothers are active in the glee club and the band.

We wish to extend to Illinois Eta our hearty appreciation and thanks for the royal entertainment given to five of our brothers who were in Champaign on October 3 with the football team. We shall take pleasure in endeavoring to reciprocate the kindness when opportunity offers.

There has been considerable discussion in Greek circles recently over the rule prohibiting preparatory students from pledging themselves to the fraternities. B Θ II had pledged three men who were preps., and the prospects were that they would be dismissed from school. An agreement, however, was reached that the men should renounce their pledge and have nothing more to do with the fraternity than would any other preparatory student.

With reference to the other fraternities here, Φ Δ O has a very good standing. B Θ II has moved into a smaller house than the one of last year, and Φ Γ Δ occupies a hall as they have before. The numbers in both of these chapters are comparatively small.

Galesburg, October 6, 1903. KELLOGG D. McCLELLAND.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD COLLEGE.

Lombard opened her fifty-second year with an enrolment in the college proper showing an increase of nearly forty per cent., though the total enrolment is not a great deal in excess of last year's registration. The quality and scholarship of the new students entering is much higher than that of last year, and the spirit and life of the college is better and more vigorous than for some time. The revival of class organization has stimulated the college life. During several years past the senior class has been the only one to support organization, and has had the whole school pitted against it in the color rush. This year the seniors and sophomores have formed an offensive and defensive alliance against the juniors and freshmen. October 8th saw an all-night fight between the senior and junior forces, in which the latter were defeated in their attempt to keep the 1905 flag floating from the flag-staff on the main building. Battered heads, scarred faces and lame limbs were much in evidence the next day.

The chapter began its work with five active members and one pledge returned. The pledge has recently been initiated, and we present to the fraternity Bro. Fred Lincoln Tipton, of Girard, Ill. Five men have been pledged and others are being spiked. The rushing has progressed slowly. A fully-furnished house has been rented at No. 712 S. Pine street, where visiting Phis will always be welcome. Six men are living in the house. During the rushing season we entertained in honor of the new men under consideration. Bro. Lee Fairchild, '86, was an honored guest.

Bro. Hurd is president of the senior class. Bro. Scott is manager of the football team, of which Bros. Ayars, Andreen, Jansen, and Mr. Alvord—the latter a pledge—are members. Bro. Andreen is at present on the hospital list with a dislocated shoulder. Two games have brought victory to Lombard, Hedding being defeated 98 to 0, and Monmouth 12 to 0. The team was handicapped in each game by the crippled condition of the men.

Galesburg, October 17, 1903. FRANK C. AYARS.

ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The freshman class of 900 which entered this university this fall is an increase of several hundred over last year, and brings the total enrollment at Champaign close to 2,700.

The prospects for Illinois Eta are bright, promising a strong chapter. Twenty-three of the thirty-three members of last year returned. Seven of those not returning graduated in June. Bros. William Caton and Arthur Hill will be with us the second semester. Bro. Smith, of Rockford, Ill., received the offer of a position which he thought it wise to accept, and discontinued his course here.

There is an abundance of fraternity material in the freshman class, and Illinois Eta has been very successful in pledging new men. Six have already been initiated : Bros. Merle E. Trees, Frankfort, Ind.; John Morrison, Bloomington, Ill.; Harry Green, Rockford, Ill.; Moses Greenleaf, Jacksonville, Ill.; Jean and Henry Pope, of Moline, Ill. This brings the total membership of the chapter to 29.

Three Phis have made the glee and mandolin clubs, and seven are members of the various class football teams. An abundance of heavy football material has entered the field at Illinois this year, and with Bro. Rothgeb as captain, Coach Woodruff expects to put out one of the best teams that Illinois has ever had.

Our house fund is in a flourishing condition. One very desirable lot has already been paid for and we soon expect to own the lot adjoining. The plan is to build a ten to fourteen thousand dollar house next spring or summer. The house which we still occupy has been papered and calcimined throughout, and considerable new furniture bought, so that we are in very pleasant quarters.

Champaign, October 2, 1903.

F. W. CUTLER.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Under the leadership of its newly elected president, C. R. Van Hise, the University of Wisconsin has opened for the year 1903-4 with a larger attendance than has ever before been registered. The freshman class alone shows an increase of about three hundred over the class of last session, and there is every indication that the enrollment of all students for the year will reach 3,000.

The faculty, with but few exceptions, will be the same as last year. Acting-President E. A. Birge, who was relieved by the election of Mr. Van Hise, has been granted a leave of absence of one year. Dean Richards of the law school, formerly of Iowa State College, succeeds the late Dean Edwin E. Bryant, father of Bro. William V. Bryant, '98.

An entirely new system for the arrangement of courses was instituted during the past year. In all departments with the exception of the school of commerce, which is now under the directorship of Prof. W. A. Scott, the subjects have been arranged in groups, and courses are made elective from the various groups. The A. B. degree is given for the completion of all of these courses.

The prospects for a football team are very good. A large number of very promising men are hard at work under the proficient supervision of Coach Arthur Curtis, '01.

This season will undoubtedly be one of the most prosperous in the history of Wisconsin Alpha. Besides twenty of our active men of last year, we have with us Bro. Thomas F. Frawley, '02, of Eau

Claire, Wis., and Bro. Robert P. Minton, '04, of Los Angeles, Cal., both of whom have been out of school for a year, returning to take law. Bro. James A. Walker, of Rockford, Ill., who was compelled to give up his studies two years ago because of poor health, has also returned and will complete his course in engineering this year. We have been very successful in our rushing this fall and have pledged some of the best men in college. They are Irvine R. Lyman, Arthur G. Sullivan and Romaine A. Tolles, of Eau Claire, Wis.; Jesse Higbee, of La Crosse, Wis., and Edward Richter, of Milwaukee. Thus, we are insured of a chapter of twenty-eight members, which is far in advance of the usual enrolment at this time of the year.

Madison, October 4, 1903.

WALTER I. SLEEP.

MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

In many ways this year promises to be the most successful that our chapter has ever had. In the first place, we are in a splendid new house, in the best location around college—on University avenue, two blocks from the campus. The house is large and all the men except those from town are living in it; we have a beautiful lawn, and a tennis court near by.

The university was never as beautiful as this fall; landscape gardeners and architects have been collaborating to make the campus a work of art in every way. The new gates and walls are extremely picturesque, and our athletic field, which was dedicated September 19, is one of the most complete in the country. The field is arranged to contain two baseball diamonds and the turfed gridiron; the whole structure, with the grandstands and the surrounding ornamental brick wall, is to cost between seventy-five and one hundred thousand dollars.

Rushing is not yet over, and so our present list of pledglings is not a complete one. We have now pledged Edward Parker, Henry Leech, Ross Mathewson, Frank Barragar and Jack Armstrong.

The football outlook for Minnesota is, in all, a bright one, and the new field adds much to the pleasure of watching the games.

Minneapolis, September 23, 1903.

CYRUS S. BROWN.

IOWA ALPHA, IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The opening of Iowa Wesleyan University for the year 1903-04 was signalized by the completion of the campaign for raising \$100,000 for the university. Dr. John W. Houcher, the president of the university, deserves great credit for his work during the past year in raising this fund. The president and board of trustees expect to continue the work of adding to the endowment, and if the present plans are carried out Iowa Wesleyan will soon have an endowment second to none of the smaller colleges of the west. But few changes were made in the faculty this year. Prof. Becker was succeeded by Prof. Leist in the chair of German, and Prof. Boudreau was succeeded by Prof. Prince. Bros. John W. Edwards and Chas. T. Vorheis continue in their respective departments.

The football team, with Bro. John Myers as captain, has good prospects for the season. Bros. Myers, Lambert and Willits represent us on the team.

Iowa Alpha had thirteen men return to college this fall, and we

now have six men pledged and one or two more under consideration. We will be the strongest fraternity in school this year, both numerically and otherwise. Iowa Alpha lost five men this year, three by graduation and two for other reasons. Bro. Fred R. Beck is engaged in business at Fremont, Iowa; Bro. Burton Beck is spending a year in the west for his health; Bro. S. W. Needham is in the newspaper business at Sigourney, Iowa; Bro. Fred Gerth will spend the year at his home at Wyaconda, Mo., and Bro. M. E. Pike is teaching at Williamsburg, Iowa.

Bro. Burton Beck was married to Miss Grace Haveher, daughter of Pres. John W. Haveher, of the university, at Ottumwa, Iowa, on July 6.

Bro. Otis Sellers, of Indiana Delta, resides in Mt. Pleasant, and is a frequent visitor at the chapterhouse.

PAUL HOUGHTON.

Mt. Pleasant, October 4, 1903.

IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

We moved into our new house October 15th, and have undoubtedly the finest chapterhouse in the State. Iowa Beta returned with twelve old men and one pledge from last year. Our house was to have been ready for occupancy the 15th of September, and we were consequently somewhat handicapped during the rushing season. Although the enrolment was small in the university this year there is a greater percentage of good fraternity material than for several years, and in the end we will get our share. We have initiated John T. Iles, of Davenport, who was pledged last spring, and have as new pledges Messrs. Williams, of Iowa Falls, and Minert, of Marion, Iowa, who will be initiated at once.

Of our graduates last year Bro. Hagler is traveling for the St. Louis Bridge and Iron Company of St. Louis, Mo.; Bro. Munger is practicing dentistry at Bayard, Iowa; Bro. Huttenlacher is reading law at Yale; Bro. Hull is on the road for the Ferd Haak Company; Bro. George Ball is in the abstract business in Iowa City, and Bro. Walter M. Ball is dealing in sheep in Wyoming. Bro. Hagler was a visitor last week. All our alumni are urged to visit us in our new home.

Our house is situated in the central part of Iowa City, only three squares from the campus. In the basement we have our kitchen and dining-room, which will seat twenty-five persons, and is prettily furnished in oak. On the first floor are two parlors, each about 16x20 feet, a smoking-room, music-room and the housekeeper's apartments. On the second floor are ten well lighted and well ventilated bedrooms variously furnished to suit the taste of the occupants, and also a room for waiter and roustabout. The entire house is floored with hard wood, the first story floors being polished oak. Our lease extends for three years, with privilege of renewal.

The enrolment in the college is about 1,400, and every department seems well filled.

The football team is light but speedy, and we have won every game played. We expect to make a good showing against the 'big' teams this season.

Bro. James H. Willett has just returned from Des Moines, where he successfully passed an examination and was admitted to the Iowa bar. Bro. Willett is beginning his senior year here. Bro. Edwin K. Brown is stumping Johnson county as the Republican candidate for

representative; he is but twenty-four years of age, and will be the youngest representative in Iowa if he is elected. Bro. Brown is recognized as the best orator of his age in the middle West, and will make a strong showing for his party.

Iowa Beta is fortunate in having six members on the faculty, to wit: Dr. Calvin, the well-known geologist, Deans Weld and Hosford and Professors Smith, McGowan and Stewart.

Our new address is 227 N. Dubuque street.

Iowa City, October 18, 1903.

CHARLES E. LOIZEAUX.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

The University of Missouri opened September 8 with an increased attendance in all departments. Missouri Alpha, though returning only eight men, bids fair to have an exceptionally strong chapter. We take great pleasure in presenting to the fraternity Bros. Frank I. Ridge, of Kansas City, Mo., son of Bro. Thomas S. Ridge, '84; Lynn Seacord, of Memphis, Mo., and Hugh L. Moore, a brother of Bros. William E. Moore, '97, and G. Herbert Moore, '01, of Quincy, Ill. We have pledged Messrs. O. P. Moss and Robert T. Branham, of Columbia; Walter C. Logan, of Hannibal, Mo., and Henry Stephens, of Kansas City, Mo., all of whom we take great pride in having obtained. Missouri Alpha is especially fortunate in having with her this year Bro. W. N. Winter, who returns to his home chapter after an absence of four years in business. Bro. Winter is a hard worker and an enthusiastic Phi. Bro. C. A. Palmer, of Knox College, entered the university, but after a short spell of sickness returned to his home in Vinton, Iowa. Bro. Robert D. Gordon has affiliated from Lombard.

Of the old men, Bros. Edwin S. Stephens and Roscoe Potts have entered Harvard. Bro. Silsby has taken up newspaper work in Springfield, Mo., but expects to return to school next year. Bro. Frank Thompson has entered the University of Michigan law school. Bro. Talbot is in business at Fayette, Mo. Bro. Eby Ryley is at the chapterhouse on a visit of several weeks. Bro. Rhodes Estill has entered business with his father at Estill, Mo.

We have given up the chapterhouse occupied last year and are now renting a house in 'Professor's Row,' directly across from Academic Hall on Conley avenue. We are looking forward to a prosperous and beneficial year.

The football outlook for University of Missouri is considered especially bright. The series of games was opened yesterday when we defeated Missouri School of Mines from Rolla, on Rollins Field, 40-0. Bro. R. H. Jesse, Jr., is our only representative on the 'varsity this year—he playing at his old position at right-tackle. Bro. J. K. Black, formerly of the Westminster chapter, played at right-end on the Rolla team.

Great interest is being taken in tennis this year. In a short time the local tournament will be held to choose men for the Missouri-Kansas games to be held the last of the month. Bros. Houck and Oliver are both playing strong games and stand a good chance to make the team.

In closing we wish to extend a cordial invitation to all Phis who may come to Columbia to visit us at our chapterhouse.

Columbia, October 10, 1903.

ROBERT D. GORDON.

MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Westminster opened its fifty-first session on September 9 under the most favorable prospects in the history of the college. Owing to the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. John H. MacCracken as president of the college, Dr. John J. Rice has been appointed acting president.

During October will occur the semi-centennial exercises of Westminster, and as invitations have been sent to all the alumni of this chapter we expect a goodly number of Phis to be present. Reunion Hall, the new dormitory, has been completed, and is now occupied to its capacity. The enrolment is larger than that of any previous year, owing largely to the return of many old students.

The fraternities opened with about the same number of old men, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ returning nine, $B\Theta\Pi$ and $K\Lambda$ eight each. There are a number of good men in the entering class, and $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has good prospects for her share. We have already initiated Bro. Robert S. McKee, of Fulton, pledged last year; Bro. Tureman Marquess, of Fulton; Bro. Ralph O. Hamacher, of Richmond, Mo.; Bro. Orland McDonald, of St. Joseph, Mo., and Bro. Bertram T. Harvey, of Eldon, Mo. We also have a pledge button on Mr. James H. Bond, a promising member of the sub-freshman class. Bro. Irvine G. Mitchell, A. B., '02, is assistant professor in English in the college. Bro. Samuel J. P. Amberson, *Missouri* '96, who so successfully coached the football team last season, has again been secured, and with the return of a large per cent. of last year's team and some promising material in the entering class, will undoubtedly turn out a strong team. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has four men on the college eleven, of which Bro. W. W. Seibert is left half-back and captain, vice Bro. L. M. White, who did not return this year. Bro. R. K. Wilson is president of the athletic association and manager of athletics, and has a good schedule of games arranged for the season. Bro. Martin Yates is president of the Philologic literary society, and Bros. Burch and Wilson have positions on the staff of the *Monthly*. Of the other college honors $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ will have its share.

Fulton, October 7, 1903.

WILL A. SOULE.

MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

Eight of our members returned to college this year, whereas there were thirteen men last year in the chapter at the opening of the term. We are in the same quarters as before, a large flat at 2832 Locust street. At present writing there are three men pledged and five or six more being considered, and we will probably initiate from seven to ten men this month. Since the opening of the term we have kept open house two or three times a week, and have had all the desirable men in to see us and give us an opportunity of looking them over. The rushing is at its height now, and it is hard to make any definite statements, but we hope to introduce a number of new brothers in the next issue of THE SCROLL.

The freshman class is smaller this year than either of the two previous years. The number of instructors in the undergraduate department is larger by two or three men this year. Appliances, etc., for carrying on the work are being increased all the time, but, owing to the fact that we will move into our new buildings, now occupied by the Louisiana Purchase exposition, in a little over a year, a great many things which will be done are put off until then.

The football outlook is slightly improved over last year. Mr. Boynton, who coached Sewanee last year, has charge of the squad, and has hopes of making a very successful team.

Altogether, although we can't say things are booming here, the prospects in every direction are very good. G. L. ALLEN, JR.

St. Louis, October 1, 1903.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

The fall term at Kansas University opened under most favorable auspices. The enrolment is already as large as it was at the end of last year, notwithstanding that a tuition fee is being charged that was not imposed last year. A further attendance of two hundred may be expected before the end of school. The football outlook is also very favorable. Coach Weeks, Michigan's captain last year, has found much excellent football material, and the team promises to be a very successful one. The first game of the season on September 27, with Emporia college, resulted in a victory for Kansas by a score of 34-0. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is represented on the 'varsity by Bro. Cooke, who plays left-half, and Bro. Fleishman, who plays left end.

The rushing season just closed has been a memorable one for Kansas Alpha. We have pledged five excellent men, taking spikes from all our principal rivals. With our new men—Walter Herrick, of Wellington, Kan.; John Fleishman, of Topeka; Frank Bangs, of Lawrence; Galen Burris, of Hutchinson; Carlos Johnson, of Arkansas City, and the sixteen men who returned, we find ourselves in a very secure position.

Bros. Flint and Sexton represented us last year on the 'varsity baseball nine, of which Bro. Flint was manager. Bro. Sexton was elected captain of this year's team. On the track team Bro. McCoy was our representative, and was elected captain of this year's team.

In inter-fraternity athletics we won the 1902 football championship. Our present strength along this line has caused the other fraternities to start a movement to do away with inter-fraternity football. What success they have remains to be seen.

Fraternities in general have improved at Kansas by occupying better houses, Kansas Alpha being the leader in the move. We now occupy a sixteen-room house within two blocks of the campus, built for us according to our own plans and completed during the summer. All of the men live at the house, which will easily accommodate twenty. The first floor has a thirty-foot den, a large dining-room and billiard room, besides a parlor and reception hall. The floors are of hard wood, and all the rooms can be thrown open for dancing, extra wide doors having been provided for this purpose. The kitchen is in the basement and connects with the dining-room by a dumb waiter. On the second and third floors are ten excellent double rooms, all of which are now occupied.

On the whole, the prospects for the coming year are decidedly encouraging. JOHN L. STARKIE.

Lawrence, October 3, 1903.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Our chapterhouse was redecorated both inside and out during the summer and presented quite an attractive appearance to the eighteen members of Nebraska Alpha who returned for the college year.

The rushing season has been successful, and we have the pleasure of introducing the following brothers, initiated October 3: Robert Updike, Charles Duer, Elmer Lindquest, Charles Louis Meyer, Montrose Lee and Allen Samuel Neilson. We have also pledged Herbert Avery, Donald Raymond and Wilfred Trimble.

The enrolment of students has nearly reached the three thousand mark. The law department has found its quarters too small, and the old chapel has been utilized as temporary class rooms.

Much interest is being manifested in athletics. Our football team has played three games, in which Nebraska's goal-line was crossed but once, and that during the first game of the season.

We have had the pleasure of recently entertaining Bro. T. J. Downen, of Michigan Alpha, who stopped over a day on his return to college.

The chapter feels deeply its loss in the death of our beloved brother, Robert Homer Gaines. At a recent meeting resolutions were passed extending our sincerest sympathy to the bereaved family.

Lincoln, October 5, 1903.

GAGE SHANNON.

COLORADO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

The university closed last June with a snowstorm the last day and opened, September 14, under similar conditions—a record for even Colorado.

Nine Phis returned this fall and began an active rushing campaign. Our new location opposite the university campus has given us quite an advantage, and we have initiated Bros. Lightburn, '07, and Daniels, '07, both of Denver; Brown, '07, Longmont and Mitchell, '07, St. Claresville, Ohio; Claude Ferguson, '07, Bakersfield, Cal., is pledged.

The chapter has received pleasant visits from Bro. Ewing, Michigan Alpha; Bro. Maxwell, Kentucky Alpha-Delta; Bro. Ryley, Missouri Alpha; Bro. Potter, Michigan Alpha; Bro. Banta, Indiana Delta; Bro. Jameson, Ohio Alpha, and Bro. Dunshee, Colorado Alpha.

Bro. Fleming, Kentucky Alpha, is secretary and resident professor of the law school. Bro. Stickney, Law, '03, is making an extended trip through the Pacific coast states, and is now at Los Angeles, Cal.

Colorado has great hopes for her football squad this year. The two games played have resulted in her favor by a score of 40 to 0 against the preparatory school, and 23 to 0 against the University of Utah.

The new library building is nearing completion, and the campus is being improved by the addition of new walks and drives.

Alumni visiting Boulder are cordially invited to the chapterhouse.
Boulder, October 5, 1903.

LOUIS G. KELLER.

ETA PROVINCE.

TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

Notwithstanding our great loss of men at the close of last session we are twelve strong at the beginning of this, and feel equal to any emergencies that may arise in the way of school politics, society or studies, and, although we are twelve weaker at the beginning of this season than at the close of last, we feel fully equal to the task of upholding that standard of true, aggressive and respectable fraternity life by which our brothers before us have measured themselves.

School has now been running a week, and things are beginning to take once more their natural aspect after the distraction of the summer months. But there is one innovation in fraternity life that is hard to reconcile with our past experience. At the corresponding time of previous sessions there has been a scramble for the proper men, and great excitement as to whether we should take a certain man or not. But this has all been done away with through an agreement between the fraternities not to spike or pledge men until the 16th day of January. So now, instead of the fast rushing of previous years, there is calm deliberation and time for forming definite opinions.

A marked improvement has been made in the appearance of our new chapter home since last session. The lawn has been well kept during the summer, and is still green and fresh. Besides this, many flowers have been planted, and these improvements go to make our comfortable house appear inviting and homelike upon the outside as well as within. A handsome billiard table has been added to the commodious common room of the house.

Bro. Steger has returned to accept a fellowship in Greek and Latin. Bro. Teagarden, who stayed out last session to accept a position under his father, is back again, and Bro. Hunt, who is a graduate of the academic department, has returned to pursue work in law. Bros. Kimball and Howard, of our last year's chapter, have gone to West Point and Annapolis, respectively.

Austin, October 3, 1903.

CLARENCE W. WELLER.

TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Southwestern entered upon its thirty-first year with all indications pointing to the most successful year in the history of the institution. The academic department opened on September 17 with an increased enrolment of 25 per cent. over last year. The number of young ladies enrolled is over 50 per cent. in excess of last year's number.

The new medical department, which was established at Dallas during the summer, will open October 1. The faculty of this department, numbering 20, is exceptionally strong. The faculty in the academic department has also been materially strengthened this year. Miss Bowen again has charge of the elocution department; she has been away the past year studying in New York, and we are indeed glad to have her back. The university is particularly fortunate in securing Prof. J. C. Hardy, Ph. D. (*Vanderbilt*), and Prof. Tinsley, A. M. (*University of Virginia*); the former has been elected to the chair of German and the latter to the chair of chemistry.

There is a marked manifestation of renewed activities along all lines this year, and enthusiasm and college spirit is more in evidence now than ever before. The faculty and student body are pulling together to try to revive the university in every way, and make this a school such as we are capable of having.

Texas Gamma broke her record this year by returning thirteen men out of a possible fourteen. We were all shocked and grieved this summer when we received the news of the untimely death of Bro. Dave Dickinson, of the class of '06. He was one of our best men, and was loved and respected by us all. Not only will he be missed by Texas Gamma, but all the school and everybody who knew him will feel his loss inexpressibly.

We are in a chapterhouse this year for the first time, and we have

already seen that the advantages are so great and numerous we can never afford to be without one again. We are more confident than ever that it will only be a short while before we will own a house. We own the furniture in the one we occupy, and we are adding to our possessions all the time.

I take pleasure in presenting three good men, whom we have initiated the past month; they are Thomas Sessions Barkley, Ennis, Texas; Thomas Claude Turk, Blooming Grove, Texas, and Harry Terrell Ables, Terrell, Texas. Phi Delta Theta now numbers 16, Kappa Alpha 12, and Kappa Sigma 10 men.

Last commencement Mr. and Mrs. Lee M. Taylor entertained in honor of Texas Gamma, and a more enjoyable evening was never spent than the one which passed so quickly on that happy occasion. We were delighted to have a number of our visiting alumni with us for that event.

Last year we were represented in all lines—Bro. Cooper was president of the junior class, and was on the annual commencement debate; Bro. Cody was treasurer of the athletic association; Bro. Mann was a member of the lecture committee; Bro. Graves played short-stop on the ball team, and Bro. Dickinson first base. In the annual series of games between the fraternities here, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ won the championship and will undoubtedly hold it this year also. The classes and other organizations have not yet organized for this year, but Phi Delta Theta will be recognized for her share of honors as usual.

Visiting Phis will always be welcome guests at the chapterhouse.
Georgetown, September 30, 1903.

IRELAND GRAVES.

THETA PROVINCE.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

California Alpha started out the fall season with twenty-three men back in college. The class of 1907 was rather below the average in quantity of fraternity material. Nevertheless we have secured two fine freshmen, Zack Hartley and Emrick B. Hewett, whom we take pleasure in presenting. We lost two men by graduation last June, Bro. E. C. Anthony, mechanics, who is taking graduate work at Cornell, and Bro. E. M. Otis, social science, who is attending the Hastings Law School at San Francisco.

In last spring's contests with Stanford, California won the baseball and tennis series straightforwardly and the Carnot debate. Nearly all last year's veteran football players are back, and indications point to a California victory in the approaching contest with Stanford. Last summer California's rowing crew went north and rowed matches with Oregon and Washington. A return meet will be held here next April. Stanford will enter a crew, and every effort will be made to establish rowing as an inter-collegiate contest.

The new physiological laboratory erected for Dr. Jaques Loeb for the conduct of his research work was dedicated August 20. The Greek theatre presented to the university by William Randolph Hearst was dedicated September 24, in the presence of the donor, with 8,000 people on the rising tiers of seats. 'The Birds' of Aristophanes, presented in the original Greek, formed a part of the ceremony. California Alpha begins the year in quarters vastly improved by several

hundred dollars' worth of painting and renovating. We have fifteen men living in the house, more than ever before. W. T. HALE.

Berkeley, October 6, 1903.

CALIFORNIA BETA, STANFORD UNIVERSITY.

California Beta started the new year with twelve old men. The freshman class contained considerable fraternity material, and we take pleasure in presenting the following initiates: Leigh Kelly, Fort Smith, Arkansas; Harry Robertson, San Francisco; William W. Behlow, Napa, Cal.; Harold J. Heffron, Salt Lake City; Alexander Chalmers, Portland, Oregon; Preston W. King, San Luis Obispo, Cal., and Edwin A. Lloyd, Mason City, Iowa.

Bros. Parker, Frisselle and Robertson are on the glee and mandolin clubs.

Among last year's football team who are back is Bro. Clark, one of the best ends Stanford has ever had. Bro. Chalmers has good prospects of making the varsity. Phi Delta Theta has another representative on the faculty in Edward C. Franklin, Kansas Alpha, making a total of seven Phis in a faculty of 130. Five new buildings have been finished during the past summer, and two more will be ready for occupancy by Christmas.

Mrs. Stanford is to make a further gift to the university of a \$500,000 library building, on which work will probably be commenced in January.

Bro. Ralph Frisselle, who graduated in May, has a position with a San Francisco firm engaged in the manufacture of pumps and pumping machinery. Bro. Schulz, '02, is teaching in the University of Southern California, at Los Angeles. FRANK A. KITCHING.

Stanford, October 8, 1903.

WASHINGTON ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

The following men have been initiated, and Washington Alpha takes pleasure in introducing them to all brother Phis: Bros. Hoover, Kennedy, Lee, Allyn, Grinstead, McGlinn, Tripple, Green and Wagner.

The new year finds Washington Alpha in better condition than ever before. Thanks to Bro. Richard Kinnear, the chapter has been placed upon a sound financial basis. The house has been refurnished during the summer.

The attendance at the university will probably reach the eight hundred mark this year. During the summer, large appropriations have been spent upon the gymnasium and library.

Sigma Chi has granted a charter to the crowd of applicants known as 'The Orphans', and they have rented a house for this year.

At present we have fifteen men in the house, which is the largest number heretofore. Bro. Twitchell, who last year attended the Yale law school, has returned to complete his collegiate work. Bro. Lee graduated from the University of Idaho last June and was one of the group of applicants there. He is attending the law school. Bro. Stevenson, '05, is at the University of Pennsylvania, attending the College of Dentistry. Bro. Link, '06, who is at Nome, will return in time to do his collegiate work.

Bro. Joseph V. Bird, who was last year unanimously elected pres-

ident of the Associated Students, has found it impossible to be with us this session.

The chapter regrets very much the unfortunate circumstances which enforce Bro. Bird's absence from college. He is one of the popular men who have attended this university, and in losing him, the university will lose an ideal student and the chapter a most loved brother.

Seattle, Wash., October 6, 1903.

WILBUR D. KIRKMAN.

ALUMNI CLUBS.

CHICAGO.

The Phi Delta Theta Club of Chicago, under the leadership of a very enthusiastic and active president, John T. Boddie, has outlined many plans to arouse interest among Phis and increase our membership. On Friday, October 9th, the first fall meeting was held during the noon luncheon at the College Inn.

It was decided to give a dinner Saturday, October 31, at Kinsley's, in honor of two Phis who have recently won distinction, bringing honor to themselves and to the fraternity: General John C. Black, *Wabash*, '62, unanimously elected Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic at its annual reunion at San Francisco, and Judge Frederick A. Smith, *Chicago*, '66, who has recently taken his place on the bench of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, after a judicial campaign in which he was the only successful Republican candidate not already a judge. Bro. 'Dick' Little, as toastmaster, will give further assurance of powers of speech.

Much interest has been manifested in securing the next National Convention for Chicago.

C. M. CLAY BUNTAIN.

October 16, 1903.

PERSONAL.

Allegheny—Wm. H. Gallup, '85, is superintendent of schools at Morgantown, W. Va.

Missouri—Samuel J. P. Anderson, '96, is again coaching the Westminster football squad.

Kansas—R. C. Hazen, '99, is cashier of the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank of Wenatchee, Washington.

Kansas—Edward C. Franklin, '88, is the latest of seven Phi Delta Thetas to join the faculty at Stanford.

Franklin—Rev. C. M. Carter, '87, of Muncie, Ind., is chaplain of the 2nd regiment of Indiana infantry.

Union—Daniel James Hoyt, M. D., '99, has opened an office at No. 239 Mill street, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Syracuse—Dr. James B. Sanford, '92, of Denver, Colo., was speaker of the last Colorado house of representatives.

Franklin—At the recent city election in Macon, Mo., N. M. Lacey, '99, was elected city attorney by a large majority.

Cornell—Dudley R. Horton, '75, of New York, has recently removed his office to the Vincent building, 302 Broadway.

Missouri—J. D. Meriwether, '96, is assistant engineer with the Wabash railroad, with headquarters at Decatur, Illinois.

Ohio Wesleyan—Norman I. Taylor, '03, has located at Burnside, Ky., where he is agent for the Aetna Insurance Company.

Vanderbilt—H. C. Thach, '95, of Athens, Alabama, was married on September 1 to Miss Edith Mason, of McMinnville, Tennessee.

Vanderbilt—Charles Read Baskerville, '95, who has lately taken an advanced course in English at the University of Chicago, has been elected professor of English in the Territorial Normal School, at Edmond, Oklahoma. On August 19 he was married to Miss Catherine Quarles, of Bowling Green, Virginia.

Williams—Frederick B. Wills, '02, has removed from Auburn, N. Y., to Trenton, N. J., and is an instructor in the high school there.

Union—J. Irving Gayetty, '99, has a civil service position with the U. S. Geological Survey, and is temporarily residing in Washington, D. C.

Union—Everett Theodore Grout, '02, has a position with the Schenectady Railway Company, a branch of the Edison General Electric Company.

Allegheny—J. Merrill Wright, '96, ex-president of Alpha Province, is trust officer and solicitor for the Monongahela Trust Company, Homestead, Pa.

Pennsylvania—Harry B. McFadden, '82, of Philadelphia, has been appointed by Governor Pennypacker a member of the state board of dental examiners.

Cincinnati—O. H. Schlemmer, '00, was married on June 24 to Miss Blanche Leuchtenberg, of Colorado Springs. Bro. Schlemmer resides at Cincinnati.

Hanover—Charlton A. Swope, '85, by recent appointment, became eastern freight agent of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad, with offices at New York city.

Missouri—Harrison R. Williams, '87, is in the service of the Waters-Pierce Oil Co., recognized as a Standard Oil concern, at the City of Mexico, Mexico.

Union—Rev. William Thurston Brown, '87, formerly pastor of the Plymouth church, Rochester, N. Y., is now residing at No. 59 W. 45th street, New York city.

Vanderbilt—Edwin M. Rankin, '96, of Lexington, Missouri, received the degree of Ph. D. from Harvard, last session, and is now instructor in Latin at Princeton.

Iowa Wesleyan—Burton Beck, '03, was married, July 6, 1903, at Ottumwa, Iowa, to Miss Grace Hancher. Bro. Beck will spend the year in the West in search of health.

Vermont—Dr. George M. Sabin, '96, has removed from Malone, N. Y., to Burlington, Vt., where he has become associated with one of that city's leading physicians and surgeons.

Sewanee—Rev. C. B. K. Weed, '95, until recently located at East Orange, N. J., in September removed to Fort Smith, Ark., his new charge being St. John's church of that city.

Indianapolis—John H. Lister, '97, is assistant professor of modern languages at the academy of the University of Chicago, at Morgan Park, Ill., and is also coach of the football team.

Franklin—Clark R. Parker, '97, who has been principal of the Franklin high school for the past two years has accepted the pastorate of the Central Baptist church of La Porte, Ind.

Purdue—H. W. Irwin, '03, was married, June 17, to Miss Monta Gertrude Watson, of Knightstown, Ind. Bro. Irwin is with the General Electric Company, Schenectady, New York.

Cincinnati—J. B. Kemper, '99, was acting regimental adjutant on the staff of Colonel Loughborough in General Bell's brigade during the recent army maneuvers at Fort Riley, Kansas.

Tulane—Schuyler Poitevent, '97, who was president of Beta Province, 1896-98, is now a planter at Laguna de la Puerta, Tamaulipas, Mexico, and desires the addresses of his residing in Mexico.

California—George F. Reinhardt, '97, has been appointed to the newly-created office of medical examiner in the University of California. He is also chairman of the university board of health.

California—Frank Otis, '73, and Wigginton E. Creed, '98, have been re-elected president and secretary respectively of the University of California Alumni Association, after a year of most efficient service.

Franklin—Dr. Arthur Hieronymus, '94, who since his graduation from medical college has been practicing in New York city, has removed to San Francisco, where he is head surgeon for the Panama Steamship Co.

California—William Carey Jones, '75, has returned to his chair as professor of jurisprudence after six months in Europe. He represented the University of California at the International Congress of History in Rome.

Franklin—The marriage of Rev. F. G. Kenny, '99, of Tipton, Ind., and Miss Edith Stott, of Franklin, occurred at the First Baptist church, in Franklin, on the evening of October 29. The bride is a member of Pi Beta Phi.

Wisconsin—Matthew A. Hall, '88, was a member of the last Nebraska state senate, having been chairman of the judiciary committee, besides being a member of other important committees. He is a lawyer, and resides in Omaha.

Columbia—Leo Wampold, '88, of Cahn, Wampold & Co., has recently been elected president of the Chicago Association of Wholesale Clothiers. He was associate editor of THE SCROLL 1885-86, and business manager of the same 1886-88.

Franklin—Rev. C. L. Overstreet, '94, who has been pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Noblesville, Ind., during the past four years, has accepted a call from the church at Charleston, Ill., and will move to that place in a few weeks.

Syracuse.—S. Danforth Lewis, '00, was received into full membership in the New York East Conference at its last session, and is pastor of the Summerfield Methodist Episcopal church, Bridgeport, Conn. His address is 1079 Central avenue, that city.

North Carolina—Isaac F. Harris, '00, who for the past two years has been engaged in research chemistry work in New Haven, Conn., will make a special study of physiological chemistry in the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University during the present term.

Indianapolis—'A History of the Mississippi Valley, from Its Discovery to the End of Foreign Domination,' is the title of a book written by John R. Spears, Indiana Gamma, '72, in collaboration with A. H. Clark, recently published by A. S. Clark, New York. It is an octavo of 416 pages, with facsimiles of historic plates and portraits; price \$5 net.

Ohio State—The National Association of Life Underwriters must be a live organization. If not, it soon will be. On October 15th, at its fourteenth annual convention in Baltimore, the association elected as its president Hubert H. Ward, '90, of Cleveland, Ex-P. G. C. Phi Delta Theta is not the only organization that knows a good man when it sees one.

California—Samuel Benedict Christy, '74, as professor of mining in the University of California, directs the work of more students than are enrolled in any other school of mining in the world. In the past nine years the students in his department have increased in number ten-fold. Mrs. Phoebe S. Hearst is erecting a mining building of granite to cost half a million dollars, which will be ready for use by August, 1904.

Ohio Wesleyan—Frank L. Davies, '82, was candidate for mayor of the city of Danville, Illinois, on the Republican ticket last spring. Through the machinations of politics and the opposition of the so-called 'liberal' element he was defeated by the narrow margin of 179 votes. He is a member of the firm of Davies and Perkins, general contractors, rooms 312-313 Daniel Building, and has been a very successful man in business.

Emory—Judge William H. Thomas, '87, is making an enviable record in Alabama, and his reputation has spread all over the Union. The following is a pointed editorial from the *Brooklyn Eagle*, of July 10, 1903:

'The charge of Judge William H. Thomas to the grand jury in Alabama is a fine contribution to justice. Score it to the credit of that state. To read it is to admire it. To ponder it is to take hope for the future. That country is safe of which the judiciary is strong, brave and true.'

Richmond—John H. Read, Jr., '93, who is a second lieutenant in the Fourteenth Cavalry, U. S. A., stationed at Fort Wingate, N. M., was married on June 2, 1903, at Santa Barbara, Cal., to Miss Marguerite Burruss, of Norfolk, Va. Lieutenant Read enlisted in the army in 1898, and served in Puerto Rico with the Fifth cavalry. His rise from the ranks was rapid, being successively appointed corporal, sergeant and first sergeant, and finally, in 1901, he received his commission as second lieutenant.

Ohio—William E. Bundy, '86, died suddenly in Cincinnati, at his temporary apartments in the Dennison Hotel of uremic coma, due to acute Bright's disease, August 16, 1903. At the time of his death he was United States attorney for the Southern Ohio district, colonel of the First Ohio volunteer infantry and a trustee of Ohio University. He was one of the most brilliant members of the Cincinnati bar, and his untimely death cuts short what seemed destined to be a career of unusual success in public life. A

more extended notice of his life and especially his work for Phi Delta Theta will appear in the annual notices of the Chapter Grand.

COLLEGIATE.

Hamilton makes swimming a required course for freshmen.

A course in insurance is an elective open to juniors and seniors at Yale.

The University of Colorado closed in June in the midst of a snow storm, and in September re-opened under precisely the same conditions.

At the University of Wisconsin there is an association composed of sixteen young women to do charitable work among the poor of Madison.

A unique gift to Brown is a collection of 200,000 newspaper clippings, covering a period of 20 years, and relating to a great variety of public questions.

Elliott Hall, the oldest building at Ohio Wesleyan, was seriously damaged by fire on July 4. It is being restored, to be ready for occupancy by November.

L. H. Severance, of Cleveland, has agreed to give \$100,000 toward the fund of \$1,000,000 which it is proposed to raise as an endowment for Wooster University, at Wooster, Ohio.

Northwestern, under the leadership of President James, is planning to unite all Methodist schools in Illinois under one system, looking to Northwestern for the general management.

A 'cane rush' between the co-eds of the freshman and sophomore classes is reported at Washburn College, Topeka, Kansas. It is not stated whether Carrie Nation was present.

Cornell is to offer a two-years' course in landscape gardening, open only to those who have had the first two years of the regular course in agriculture. Harvard also offers such a course.

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Chicago is starting a movement to do away with charges for admission to athletic games, and put all athletic work on a permanently endowed basis. It is believed that by banishing gate receipts many of the evils arising from athletics can be avoided.

Prof. James Mark Baldwin, of Princeton, has been appointed head of the new department of philosophy and psychology at Johns Hopkins and will continue to reside at Princeton, going to Baltimore two or three times a week to give his lectures.

Brown is to have a clock tower on the campus, to be of granite, and a hundred feet high. It is called the Bajnotti Memorial Tower, being the gift of Mr. Paul Bajnotti, of Turin, Italy, erected in memory of his wife, a former resident of Providence.

It is claimed that Amherst's new observatory, to be ready next year, will contain the largest telescope in New England, the objective glass being 18 inches in diameter, and the tube 24 feet long. The building is the gift of alumni and friends of the college.

Mrs. Stanford has recently presented a most valuable and unique collection of relics, antiquities and curios to the museum of Stanford University. The collection is one made by the Stanford family and is said to include many articles of great value and of special interest.

William Allen White, editor of the Emporia (Kan.) *Gazette*, writer of magazine articles and author of short stories, has been chosen dean of the new department of journalism in Kansas University. Mr. White is an alumnus of Kansas University, class of '90, and is a member of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$.

A Students' Hospital Association has been in successful operation at Illinois for a year, the purpose being to accumulate a fund to pay the expenses of its members when they are ill enough to need hospital care. It is a voluntary organization and the fee is fifty cents a semester.

At the annual meeting of the Inter-collegiate Lawn Tennis Association, held recently in Philadelphia, it was decided to send a challenge to the English Universities, Oxford and Cambridge, for a series of international matches to be played next summer. It is likely that the British team will be asked to come to America.

The new physiological laboratory built for the University of California by Mr. Rudolph Spreckels, of San Francisco, was dedicated on August 20. Dr. Wilhelm Ostwald, the famous chemist, came from Leipzig, Germany, to give the dedication address, and there were addresses by President Wheeler and Dr. Jacques Loeb.

Richard Strauss, now playing in this country, was recently made an honorary Ph. D. by Heidelberg University. In recognition of this fact, his last work, 'Taillefer,' is to have its first performance at Heidelberg. Brahms was made a doctor at Breslau and when he wrote his Academic Festival Overture he dedicated it to that university.

Dr. Frederick W. Putnam, Peabody professor of American archaeology and ethnology in Harvard University, has accepted a call to the chair of anthropology in the University of California. The duties of the chair are of great importance, as the university, through Mrs. Hearst's aid, is expending some \$40,000 per annum in anthropological research.

Principal Story recently said before a meeting at Glasgow University that Andrew Carnegie's gifts to Scotch educational institutions have 'dried up the local springs of generosity.' While in the past it was easy for him to collect more than \$300,000 for the university, now it is difficult for him to get \$15,000. He says Mr. Carnegie's munificence has scared away other givers of lesser wealth.

The 150th anniversary of the founding of Columbia College will be celebrated next October. The celebration will be purely academic in character. A series of conferences or lectures by a small number of eminent foreign scholars will be delivered at the university before the officers, advanced students, and such scholars from other American institutions as may be present. One day of anniversary week will be given over to the students, and all exercises on that day will be planned and conducted by them.

It is reported that Harvard University is to receive a bequest of four million dollars from the will of Gordon McKay, who was the inventor of the shoe sewing machine which brought about effective changes in the manufacture of shoes, and made millions for the originator of the plans. Mr. McKay was a near friend of Prof. Shaler, of Harvard,

and it was while living at Cambridge that he perfected his invention. The particular field indicated for the use of the funds is reported to be applied science.

The Philadelphia papers state that Pennsylvania now has the finest athletic field in the United States. When the new gymnasium and improvements to Franklin Field have been completed, an expenditure of \$500,000 will have been made, claimed to be the largest amount a university ever spent for the physical development of its students. The gymnasium, costing \$350,000, extends across one end of the oval, the amphitheater, to seat 25,000 persons, encircling the field in the shape of a horseshoe.

The formal opening of the Germanic Museum at Harvard will take place in November. The casts presented by Emperor William of Germany form the greater part of the collection, and the formal presentation will be made at the opening of the museum by the German ambassador, Baron Von Sternberg. Another feature of the exercises will be a series of three short German plays, to be given in Sanders' Theater, by the Irving Place Theater Company (German), of New York, under the personal direction of Mr. Conried, the manager, who offered the services of his company without expense for the occasion.

Many colleges are having new buildings and equipments. Pennsylvania probably heads the list with the new engineering school, to accommodate 600 students, and to be ready next year; the new medical laboratory and the magnificent improvements to Franklin Field to cost \$500,000, including a new gymnasium costing \$350,000. Stanford is to have a \$500,000 library, the gift of Mrs. Stanford; work will be begun on it in January. At Purdue, the new Elizabeth Fowler Hall is completed, and an \$80,000 heating plant is progressing rapidly. Science Hall at Indiana is complete and occupied; it is of white stone and three stories high. At Minnesota a new athletic field was dedicated in September; improvements on it are to cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000. Kentucky State's new \$60,000 dormitory for women is to be ready for occupancy in November. Georgia Tech. has a new dining hall, and is promised a new hall of chemistry. Friends of the University of North Carolina are to build her a Y. M. C. A. and gymnasium building this year. McGill is promised \$50,000 for a Y. M. C. A. building, to be erected next year.

Alfred Moseley, a prominent English economist, is in this country at the head of the British Educational Commission, which has come at his invitation and expense to investigate American educational methods. The men composing the commission are from England's highest educational circles, some being members of Parliament. Mr. Moseley's interest in and admiration for American institutions were first aroused, it is said, by his acquaintance with American engineers in the South African mines where he gained his fortune. His high opinion of American colleges was illustrated this fall by his placing his two sons in an American institution, Yale, in preference to Oxford.

At the convention of the American Medical Association, in New Orleans, Dr. Billings drew attention to the fact that the medical colleges are graduating annually from 10,000 to 12,500 physicians, when the actual needs of this country call for only about 2,500. It seems a pity that some of these graduates have not entered other professions that are not so crowded and can offer better prospects of remuneration. Sanitary engineering, naval architecture and the comparatively new profession of forestry, for instance, are not overcrowded, and there will soon be a great demand for really competent automobile engineers, men who combine with mechanical ability a thorough knowledge of gas and other engines that are competing for the control of the field.—*Scientific American*.

So far as the Rhodes scholarships are concerned, the most unkindest cut of all comes from Australia. The *Argus*, which is the most influential paper in Melbourne, points out that, setting aside social polish, and looking only to intellectual acquisition, Australians, at all events, should recognize that the student who seeks merely to graduate, and who does not take the so-called 'honor' course, has nothing to gain from Oxford. In the opinion of the *Argus*, the colonial would be, for the most part, better taught at Melbourne, Sidney or Montreal, because the B. A. degree conferred at the larger colonial universities means more as regards quantity and quality of acquirements than the 'pass' degree obtainable at Oxford. It adds that, hitherto, when rich Australians have sent their sons to graduate, or to try to graduate, at Oxford or Cambridge, rather than Melbourne or Adelaide, they have done so candidly on social grounds. As regards an equipment for the struggle of Australian life, the step is pronounced injudicious.—*Harper's Weekly*.

The trustees of the will of Cecil Rhodes have announced that the first election of Rhodes scholars in this country will be held between February and May next year, and the appointees will commence their residence in October, 1904. In each state and territory a committee of college officers will make one appointment from the candidates between nineteen and twenty-five years old, who qualify by passing the prescribed examinations. These examinations—which are not competitive—are based on requirements for 'responses'—the entrance examinations for Oxford—and are tests in arithmetic, algebra or geometry, Greek and Latin grammar, Latin prose composition, and Greek and Latin authors. Scholars must also have reached the end of their second year in some recognized degree-granting university or college. This last requirement does not fit in particularly well with the other, as sophomores in good standing in our colleges have usually forgotten enough of what they knew when they entered college to make the repassing of an entrance examination a matter of some difficulty.—*Harper's Weekly*.

Conflicting opinions have been expressed by the press as to the utility of the school of journalism, endowed by Mr. Joseph Pulitzer, of the New York *World*, with two million dollars, as a department of Columbia University. A common view seems to be that while the school will not turn out journalists it will provide training of great value to journalists. The members of the advisory board named by Mr. Pulitzer are: Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia University, *ex-officio*; Whitelaw Reid, John Hay, secretary of state; St. Clair McKelway, Andrew D. White, Victor F. Lawson, of Chicago; Gen. Charles H. Taylor, of Boston; Charles W. Eliot, president of Harvard University. At Mr. Pulitzer's request President Eliot has outlined a practical scheme of study, as follows:

'Newspaper Administration—The organization of a newspaper office; functions of the publishers; circulation department; advertising department; editorial and reportorial departments; the financing of a newspaper; local, out-of-town and foreign news service; editorial, literary, financial, sporting and other departments.'

'Newspaper Manufactures—Printing press, inks, papers; electro-typing and stereotyping processes; type composition; typesetting and typecasting machines; processes for reproducing illustrations; folding, binding and mailing devices.'

'The Law of Journalism—Copyright; libel, including civil and seditious libel; rights and duties of the press in reporting judicial proceedings; liabilities of publisher, editor, reporter and contributor.'

'Ethics of Journalism—Proper sense of responsibility to the public on the part of newspaper writers. To what extent should the opinions of the editor or owner of a newspaper affect its presentation of news? Relations of publisher, editor and reporters as regards freedom of opinion.'

'History of Journalism—Freedom of the press, etc.'

'The Literary Form of Newspapers—Approved usages in punctuation, spelling, abbreviations, typography, etc.'

'Re-enforcement of Existing Departments of Instruction—For the benefit of students of journalism: In English, reporting of news, news letters, reviews, paragraph writing, editorial writing; in history, emphasis on geography; in political science, emphasis on contemporary economic problems and financial administration.'

A building will be erected on Morningside Heights, at a cost of \$500,000, and the school will bear a relation to Columbia similar to that of the other professional schools. The course will be two years, and previous collegiate courses will not be required. It is planned to have the building completed by the autumn of 1904.

The report of the Student Employment Committee at Columbia shows some interesting facts. One man drove a truck until he could get something better to do. A law student earned \$1,500 by managing a Western carriage factory during the summer. Another law man played in the orchestra of a theater. The Columbia correspondent for a New York newspaper made \$1,600 last winter; a manager of a yacht club earned \$350 during the summer; another newspaper correspondent made \$1,200; a life insurance agent cleared \$700, and a Cuban earned \$75 as an agent for a cigar company. In his conclusion the secretary says that any man who does not intend to enter the medical school or the schools of applied science and who has enough money to support himself for a half year, may depend upon his being able to work his way through college for the remaining three and a half years. He presupposes that the man has determination and a fair amount of ability. During the year 450 students applied to the committee for work. Of the 450 applicants, 273 reported their earnings on blank forms; of these, 43 reported that they had earned nothing whatever. Through the employment obtained for them by the committee, the students earned \$16,654.44, and on their own initiative they earned \$41,122.13.

A good many persons have the impression that high scholars from the colleges do not do particularly well in the work-a-day world. This is a vulgar error. They do do particularly well. The valedictorian of a college class does

not often lead his class all through life, but the chances are very much in favor of his doing much better than the average of his mates. In the current *Atlantic Monthly* Prof. A. L. Lowell, of Harvard, has been at some pains to compute the chances of the high scholars to win distinction. He takes as a rough and faulty, but available, measure of distinction the list of names in *Who's Who in America*. That measure he applies to graduates of Harvard College between 1861 and 1887. He finds that of these graduates one in every thirteen and three-tenths is included in that book. But of the men who ranked in the first seventh of their class, one in seven is in *Who's Who*, as against one in sixteen for the rest of the class, and one in five for the first four scholars. This ought not to surprise any one. High scholars in college are not invariably abler men than their fellows, but they are apt to be abler as well as more diligent.

Mr. Lowell has gone farther and tried to discover how it fares in the matter of distinction with the college athletes. Still using *Who's Who*, he finds that of the members of the Harvard University crews between 1861 and 1887, one in thirteen and two-thirds is in the book. But of seventy-two members of Harvard nines between 1869 and 1887, only one, Mr. Lowell says, is in *Who's Who*, this sole representative of baseball being apparently Dr. H. C. Ernst, of Boston, pitcher and bacteriologist. Of ninety-three Harvard football men who were on the elevens between 1874 and 1887, three, or one in thirty-two, are in *Who's Who*. It would appear from these figures that the outlook for distinction in afterlife for college athletes is not good. But it should be remembered that *Who's Who* is a defective measure of distinction, still more so of success; and that it is especially defective in the case of athletes. The book—an excellent work of its kind—includes a great many writers, and the more noted professors, scientists, artists and politicians. But lawyers, doctors, and men of business are not generally included unless they happen also to be writers or politicians. Among Professor Lowell's own mates of the Harvard class of '77, there are more notably successful men whose names are not in *Who's Who*, than that book includes. Athletes rarely make good poets, writers, painters, or professors, but they are believed to average pretty well in general business, so that the conclusions about them derived from questioning *Who's Who* must be taken with distrust. A Harvard athlete was until recently a partner in

the best known banking house in New York, and has been regarded as one of the most conspicuously successful men in town, but his name is not in *Who's Who*.

College athletes get a great glut of distinction while they are still college athletes. What they usually want in real life is substantial success payable quarterly or oftener. Whether they get more or less than their share of it we do not know. It would be interesting to learn. The leading college athletes devote a vast deal of time to their specialties. Does it pay them? Do they do particularly well in the world? Are they strenuous in other things besides sport? Are they apt to be able, or apt to be dull? Are they good men to hire? The world would like to know, but it can not find out from *Who's Who*.—*Harper's Weekly*.

HELLENIC.

Φ K Σ entered M. I. T. on October 16 with a charter membership of five.

A Ω, a local society at Baker University, Baldwin, Kan., has received a charter from Δ T Δ.

Σ X has chartered 'The Orphans' at the University of Washington. They occupy a rented house.

It is announced that a chapter of Pi Beta Phi will be installed at the University of Minnesota in November.

A Ζ A, which has existed during the past year as a local at Williams, is said to be seeking a national fraternity charter.

A fraternity for colored men, the only one in the United States, is reported to have been organized at the University of Indiana.

Φ Λ E, scholastic fraternity, has fifteen chapters—eight in Missouri, three in Kansas, two in Nebraska and one each in Illinois and Colorado.

The *Shield* for August contains a half-tone of the residence of T. M. Potts in Canonsburg, Pa., in which Φ K Ψ was founded February 19, 1852. The wrong house was indicated in 'The History of Phi Kappa Psi,' published last year.

K A has been granted a site for a chapterhouse on the campus at Washington and Lee. It will be the first fraternity house to be erected there.

Δ T Δ met in convention in Cleveland, August 26-28. The grand council of K K Γ held its biennial session at Cleveland at the same time, and was gallantly entertained by the Delta Taus.

Non-fraternity men at Randolph-Macon will not be approached on fraternity matters until December 1, under recent resolutions signed by Φ K Σ, Φ Δ Θ, K Σ and K A. This agreement is for the present session only, but if the plan proves successful it will be renewed.

There is considerable chapterhouse activity at Dartmouth. B Θ II goes into her newly-erected house the present session, while X Φ has leased a home. It was announced during the spring that Δ K E alumni had purchased a lot and would build during the coming year, the house to be presented to the chapter.

The Φ Γ Δ convention at Put-in-Bay in August declined a petition from Kentucky State, and revived the chapter at Stanford with nine charter members. The former chapter gave up its charter and formed the local society of Σ P H, which was later chartered by Δ K E. Stanford now has fifteen men's fraternities.

Volume VII of 'The New International Encyclopedia,' published by Dodd, Mead & Co., New York, 1903, contains an article of over two pages on college fraternities, also a plate illustrating in colors the badges of Φ B K, Σ Φ, A Δ Φ, Ψ Y, Δ Y, B Θ II, X Ψ, Δ K E, Z Ψ, Φ Γ Δ, Φ Δ Θ, Φ K Ψ, Σ X, Σ A E, Δ T Δ, A T Ω, Southern K A, K Σ, K A Θ and K K Γ.

In the last twenty years Σ N has had an extraordinary growth. In 1883 it had but three chapters—at V. M. I., W. & L. and North Georgia Agricultural College. The organ of the fraternity, first issued in that year, was called the *Delta*, the name being suggested by the trio of chapters. In 1903 Σ N has forty-eight chapters, extending from Vermont on the east to Washington, Oregon and California on the west. The last convention of the fraternity amended its law so that it could grant charters for chapters in Canada.

X Φ has entered Georgia School of Technology with four charter members, one of whom was a member at Emory. It is also understood that applicants at Tech. will be chartered by Φ K Σ and Θ Δ X, the petitioners for the latter being supported by a member of the faculty and two men who were pledged by Θ Δ X, at Chicago, and the College of the City of New York.

The Macon (Ga.) *Telegraph* of September 12 states that a fierce fight is being made in Georgia institutions against fraternities by the 'barbs.' This element began an organized effort during the summer vacation to instill anti-fraternity notions into the minds of probable freshmen by means of printed circulars. The fight centers about Emory, Mercer and the University of Georgia, and interesting developments are anticipated.

The chapter of K K Γ, at St. Lawrence University, which had a law suit about the withdrawal of its charter by the authorities of the sorority (a syllabus of the decision in which case appeared on page 408, of THE SCROLL for April, 1902), has decided after all to give up the name K K Γ, and to start a new sorority called Z Φ, the intention being to establish chapters, especially in the smaller institutions which have women students.

The \$50 prize for an essay on 'The Effect of the Fraternity on College Life,' offered by the New York City Alumni Association of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, has been awarded to Fletcher B. Wagner, a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity and now a student at Harvard. The judges were ex-President Grover Cleveland, Dr. Benjamin Ide Wheeler and Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews. The prize is to be increased to \$200 next year. Candidates for baccalaureate degrees in any American college are eligible.—*New York Sun*, October 28, 1903.

The University of Arkansas correspondent of the *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma states in a recent letter to his journal that six fraternities have chapters there, namely Kappa Sigma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kappa Alpha, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega, and Sigma Chi. What authority he has for announcing chapters of A T Ω and Σ X we do not know; neither of those fraternities, we believe, has announced a University of Arkansas chapter. As regards Phi

Delta Theta, however, the report is without foundation, as Phi Delta Theta has no chapter at the University of Arkansas.

The August Σ N *Delta* has a page half-tone illustration of 'The finest fraternity badges in existence,' viz: a Φ Δ Θ badge, with diamond eye, 18 brilliant diamonds and 5 rubies in border and 3 diamonds in the hilt of sword, owned by a southern Phi; A Δ Φ 'Presidents' badge' with 30 brilliant diamonds and ruby solitaire; Σ X badge, with 32 brilliant diamonds, presented to Grover Cleveland (honorary member) at his second presidential inauguration; Σ N badge, with 6 large solitaire diamonds, 5 opals between arms, 20 pigeon blood rubies on ends of arms, 20 emeralds in raised center, brilliant diamond in serpent's eye, 14 pearls and 1 solitaire diamond in chapter letter Z, property of C. E. Woods, editor of the *Delta*, Richmond, Ky.; the latter said by the fraternity jeweler, J. P. Newman, to represent 'more actual value in work and material than any of the others.'

The annual convention of B Θ II was held July 16, 1903, at the Hotel Victory, Put-in-Bay Island, where the convention of 1900 was held. All chapters except those at Virginia and Hampden-Sydney were represented. According to reports in the *Beta Theta Pi* it was a great singing convention, the singing being led by the editor of the new song-book. One report mentions a 'midnight blanket procession,' but says that it was a 'less strenuous sort of convention' than several held in recent years, and the delegates 'succeeded, in spite of memories from 1900, in winning (and deserving!) very high praise' from the hotel manager, 'and a cordial invitation to call again.' The editor of the *Beta Theta Pi* says:

The committee of arrangements for the next convention should see to it that field games are made a feature of part of one day's session. The exuberance of spirits which moves a boy to give vent to his feelings by throwing his wash bowl and pitcher out of the window, or locking his chum in the closet, or doing something equally delightful to himself and foolish to the outside world, can find a proper vent in athletic sports. They would form a much-to-be-desired safety valve. A baseball game can generally readily be arranged, and if not, general field sports certainly could.

Willis O. Robb, Ohio Wesleyan, '79, of New York city, was elected president of the fraternity. The convention adopted a revised ritual, and, by a unanimous vote, granted a charter to applicants at Purdue. This gives B Θ II sixty-

six active chapters. The *Beta Theta Pi* has the following editorial comment by Wm. R. Baird :

We are glad to see a more liberal spirit growing with respect to the granting of new charters. It would readily appear that, after the ultra-restrictive policy of the past ten years, the liberals and conservatives have met on common ground. No application for a charter is now likely to be rejected by a certain wing of the fraternity, merely because no new chapters are desired. None is likely to be urged because extension everywhere is desired. As heretofore, the petitioners must prove their case ; the institution must be reputable, with an adequate attendance, an endowment sufficient to secure permanence and a good reputation for scholarship ; and the petitioners must be worthy and congenial. If groups of petitioners meet these requirements, and are content to comply with the somewhat vigorous procedure prescribed by our laws, they need not despair of the outcome.

X Ψ has active chapters (which it calls 'Alphas') at Union, Williams, Middlebury, Wesleyan, Hamilton, Michigan, Amherst, Cornell, Wofford, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Rutgers, Stevens, Georgia, Lehigh, Stanford, California, Chicago; and dormant chapters at Bowdoin, Columbia, Princeton, North Carolina, C. C. N. Y., Furman, South Carolina, Mississippi, Virginia, Brown and Rochester. An editorial in the *Purple and Gold*, for May, says:

It is a matter of much concern and pain that we have so many dormant Alphas. There are altogether 29 Alphas of X Ψ --18 active and 11 dormant. Now dormancy is not death. Though these Alphas sleep yet they are not dead. That is the point which we must carry strictly in our minds. These Alphas are awaiting the resurrecting hand of some man of X Ψ who shall put the Alphas which are now sleeping upon a new basis. The words of the delegates from our southern Alphas (Georgia and Wofford) at our recent convention should stir X Ψ to some concerted action with reference to our dormant Alphas. We should have some policy other than that of *laissez-faire*.

THE PYX.

The review of college annuals has been held for the December number. A large number of our chapters have favored the editor with copies of the annuals of their colleges, and he expresses to them his sincere thanks. In addition to those previously mentioned, annuals have been received from the following chapters : Vermont, Brown, Purdue, Texas, McGill, Williams, Kansas, Washington State, Colby.

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The editor desires to announce that he has no duplicate copies of THE SCROLL prior to the number for February,

1903. Requests for such duplicates should be addressed to his predecessor, Mr. Hugh Th. Miller, P. O. Box 141, Columbus, Indiana.

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It is our sad duty to announce a most uncommon number of deaths among our undergraduate brothers during the summer vacation. George Herbert Adams, *Lehigh*, '06, was killed in a shocking manner by a locomotive on July 3, at his home, South Bethlehem, Pa. Raymond W. Honeywell, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '05, met an untimely end by accidental electrocution in an electric light plant on June 28, at Chagrin Falls, Ohio. Henry M. Galpin, *Syracuse*, '05, who pulled bow oar in the Syracuse boat at Poughkeepsie in June, suddenly succumbed later in the summer to a complication of appendicitis and typhoid. David Dickinson, *Southwestern*, '06, also departed this life during vacation. T. R. Johnson, *Minnesota*, '03, lost his life by drowning in Pickerel Lake, St. Paul, Minn., on July 13. Such a number of fatalities among our active members is little short of remarkable.

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Meetings of Phis everywhere are of interest. Those at Poughkeepsie and Northfield are recounted elsewhere in this number. At the Southern Students' Conference of the Y. M. C. A. at Asheville, N. C., June 13-21, there was another assembly of Phis. The following were in attendance: F. P. Turner, *Vanderbilt*, '91, general secretary of the student volunteer movement; Rev. Carter Helm Jones, *Virginia*, '86, of Louisville, chaplain of the Louisville convention, 1900; W. W. Brockman, *Vanderbilt*; Patrick H. Winston, *Texas*, now at West Point; J. Arthur Brown, *Emory*, '06; Washington Moody, *Alabama*; J. M. P. Thatcher, *Central*, '05; Adrian S. Taylor, *Virginia*, '05.

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Two more Φ Δ Θ's in the recent war are: Charles Esplin, *Minnesota*, '89, 2d Lieut., 13th Minn. Vol. Inf'ty.; afterward captain and disbursing officer in the Philippines; H. V. Fuller, *Minnesota*, '04, musician, Co. B, 1st South Dakota Vol. Inf'ty., service at Camp Merritt, San Francisco.

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Delta province convention set for Thanksgiving week with Ohio Beta has been indefinitely postponed. It will be held later in the year, possibly in February.



CHICAGO CHAPTER.

ILLINOIS BETA IN FOOTBALL.

The Chicago 'varsity football team of 1902, on which Phi Delta Theta was represented by six men, played through a season generally conceded the hardest one ever undertaken by a Maroon team, with a record of but one game lost. This single defeat was accomplished by the veteran eleven under the tutelage of Michigan's 'Hurry-Up' Yost.

The team, captained by Bro. Sheldon, who was playing his fourth year on the 'varsity, and acting as captain for the second year, was mentioned by the student body as second only to the '99 Maroons in bringing glory to Chicago. Bro. Ellsworth at center and Bro. Ahlsweide at left guard made up, with Guard Maxwell, the fastest center trio possessed by any 'Big Nine' team. Bro. Speik was at left end and Bro. Catlin at right end. Bro. Catlin was in his freshman year. Bro. Farr, Ohio Eta, for his remarkable success both in defensive and offensive work, won a place on the all-Western team by a unanimous verdict of the critics. Bro. Ellsworth, who is captain of the 'varsity this season, Bro. Sheldon and Bro. Speik, who is again in his old place on the left wing, were also given places on all-Western first elevens. Bro. Ahlsweide, although handicapped during the entire season by a badly wrenched knee, made an excellent record, and was named for practically every all-Western second eleven. Of the Chicago men picked for all-Western teams, all but two were Phi Delta Thetas. Bro. Garrey acted as first assistant to Coach Stagg.

OLIVER B. WYMAN.

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Bro. John B. Ballou, president of Delta province has removed to Cleveland, and become secretary and treasurer of the Vail Linotype Composing Company. His new address is Caxton Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio.

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The frontispiece of the Amherst catalogue is a plan of the college section of the town. It designates each of the fraternity houses, as well as the college buildings, athletic field, etc. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$'s house at the corner of College street and Maple avenue, evidently has a highly desirable location, and possibly the most desirable of all.

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Syracuse Phis are making elaborate preparations for entertaining Alpha province convention, November 24-27.



Catlin, r. e. Ahlswede, l. e. Speik, l. c. Sheldon, capt'l. h. b. Parr, r. t. Garrey, ass't coach.
FOOTBALL MEN OF OUR CHICAGO CHAPTER.

The official program has not been announced, but the committee says it will be about as follows: Tuesday, 2 P. M., address of welcome and short session for organization; 4 to 6 P. M., reception by Mrs. Frank W. Waggoner, 611 W. Onondaga street, to meet the Syracuse girls; 9 P. M., ball and reception at the Empire. Wednesday, sessions morning and afternoon; 8 P. M., alumni club smoker and Dutch feed at Onondaga Valley. Thursday, sessions morning and afternoon; 8 P. M., banquet at a leading hotel. Friday, sessions if necessary. Headquarters will be at the Yates Hotel.

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Six of the fifteen members of the board of trustees of Franklin College are members of Indiana Delta. They are Grafton Johnson, '87; Rev. C. M. Carter, '87; R. A. Brown, '86; E. E. Stevenson, '83; Henry Eitel, '76, and Dr. W. T. Stott, '61.

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Lafayette chapter is making the proper sort of effort to locate its alumni who are 'lost.' A circular has been issued requesting the present addresses of the following: Wm. J. McKeen Alexander, '77; Hidetake Tara Yegawa, '79; Alexander McC. Lupfer, '80; Charles H. Talmage, '82; William T. Kennedy, '89; George E. Harder, '94; George L. Darte, '96; Ferdinand Linck, '98; Richard D. Holmes, '00.

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A letter to the editor from Bro. John E. McDowell, president of Theta Province, dated September 14, aboard steamer Gaelic, bound for Japan, gives the good news that while not entirely recovered from the siege of typhoid suffered last spring together with other brothers of the Stanford chapter, he is very much improved and hopes by a two months' rest in the Orient to regain his strength entirely. He says the other ten convalescents are in much the same condition as himself, but hope to have fully recovered in time to enter for the second term.

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A highly interesting event was the marriage on October 20, at the Scotch Presbyterian church, New York city, of Arthur Milton McCrillis, *Brown*, '97, historian of the general council, and Miss Eloise Halsey *Brown*, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Fisk *Brown* of 139 W. 129th street,

New York. It was strictly a Phi Delta Theta affair; the fraternity colors and flower were predominant at the church and at the house afterward, and the best man and ushers were all Phis. In the society columns of the New York papers it was described as a unique event. Franklin Irving Brown, *C. C. N. Y.*, '89, brother of the bride, was best man. The four ushers were all members of the Brown chapter: Horace P. Dormon, '96, Howard M. Van Gelder, '97, Dr. Nathaniel H. Gifford, '99, and Thurston M. Phetteplace, '99. THE SCROLL joins in wishing Bro. McCrillis and his bride all happiness.

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In response to numerous inquiries received, and in anticipation of others, the editor begs to say that due announcement will be given in THE SCROLL and *Palladium* of the appearance of both the history and the catalogue. As stated elsewhere the history is actually on the press at the printing house of George Banta Printing Co., Menasha, Wis., and impressions of the first form are presented in this issue of THE SCROLL. The complete equipment of that establishment and the excellent typography shown in the advance sheets which have reached us give promise of a book of artistic merit. As to the catalogue, THE SCROLL is not in position to make any announcement at present.

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There is a fervent wish in the editor's breast to publish some of the kind letters received from subscribers, accompanying renewals of subscription, but lack of space forbids. He gets a great deal of encouragement out of these letters, and wishes he could reply personally to all of them.

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The editor returns thanks for the following college papers, which reach him regularly: Chicago *Daily Maroon*, Bro. Oliver B. Wyman, managing editor; Purdue *Exponent*, Bro. S. G. Clifford, local editor; Union *Concordiensis*, Bro. A. W. Lent, business manager; *The Dickinsonian*, Bros. W. H. Cheesman, managing editor, R. A. Judy and E. B. Keeley, associate editors, and H. W. Smith, assistant manager; *The Lafayette*; the Brown *Alumni Monthly*; *Gettysburgian*, Bro. H. S. Trump, assistant editor; Vermont *Cynic*, Bro. H. E. Cunningham, editor-in-chief; Ohio Wesleyan *Transcript*, Bro. R. M. Hutchison, associate editor. He would be glad

to have more of the college publications. Some of the old friends of last year have not yet put in an appearance.

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Announcement was made in the September *Palladium* that owing to an oversight there had been an insufficient number of copies of the *Palladium* for March preserved to supply all the bound volumes for the chapters, and a request made that each chapter return to the editor one copy of that number. Some chapters have complied—one, Illinois Eta, having made a particular effort and sent several—but the total number on hand is still insufficient. The chapters that have not done so, will oblige the editor by attending to this at once.

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To the list of chapters issuing annual letters last year should be added the Champaign chapter, a copy of whose interesting letter has recently come to hand. Explaining its late appearance, the reporter says the printer, after contracting to issue the letter some weeks before the close of college, did not get them out until long afterward and distribution was delayed until the re-opening of college. The letter is one of the most creditable we have seen, having the unusual feature of views of the college and surroundings as well as a chapter group.

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There is a distinct upward movement in chapterhouses. Wabash purchased a \$7,000 house on October 5, and her first chapterhouse experience will be under her own roof. Southwestern has made a distinct step forward by taking a rented house for the first time. With Westminster and North Carolina temporarily without houses, hoping to get them later on—this increases our houses owned to twenty, while the number rented drops to twenty-six. Other chapters also are bettering their condition. Kansas has had a sixteen-room house built for her according to her own plans within a short distance of the campus, with a view doubtless to ultimate acquirement. Iowa's house has been remodeled during the summer, and a new lease for three years secured. Missouri and Minnesota have much better houses than last year. Champaign proposes to purchase another lot adjoining her present one, and announces hopes of building in

the spring. Michigan has moved into her splendid new house, although to her disappointment it was not completed by the opening of college. Ohio Wesleyan has filled her newly acquired house to overflowing, and is already planning to add more rooms. Brown still occupies a whole floor in Brunonia Hall, and a chapter hall in the basement; this is like unto a chapterhouse in a way, but the chapter will some day decide that it is not nearly like enough, and get a real chapterhouse.

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At the last moment comes the appalling news of Purdue's terrible catastrophe—the wreck of a special football train carrying twelve hundred Purdue men, including football players, students, faculty and graduates. In this shocking tragedy, which occurred on the morning of October 31, as the train was nearing Indianapolis, where Purdue was to play Indiana in the afternoon, fourteen Purdue students were killed outright and many more maimed and injured. It is our sad duty to announce that our own Indiana Theta chapter shared grievously in the loss: Bro. Edward C. Robertson, '01, assistant coach, suffered instant death; Bro. S. V. B. Miller, '05, a brother of Hugh Th. Miller, former editor of THE SCROLL, had both legs broken, and his system so thoroughly shocked that his life was despaired of; Bro. Irving H. Long, '06, was injured about the head, and Dennis H. Long, '07, pledged, injured about the head and limbs. Bro. Ferdinand M. Hawthorne, *DePauw*, '04, a student this year at Purdue, also suffered slight injuries. The railway car containing the football team seems to have borne the brunt of the disaster, nine of the players being killed and nine others badly injured.

The tears of the entire fraternity are mingled with those of our Purdue brothers and the sympathy of Phi Delta Theta men everywhere goes out to them. Messages of condolence and commiseration were received by Indiana Theta from sister chapters and Phis in all parts of the country, and the alumni resident in Indianapolis were early on the ground to lend all aid to the injured.

This is indeed a sorrowful calamity—the crushing out of fourteen young lives at the very threshold of manhood, and probable life injury to a score of others. We can but give utterance to the grief which is ours, and assure our brothers of Purdue that we feel deeply for them in this sad hour.

Letters appear in this issue from all chapters save two—Mississippi and Tulane. The editor had hoped to have all represented, but letters and telegrams to both chapters and to the province president availed not. We learn indirectly that both chapters are weak, having returned but four men each. Owing to an eight-weeks' residence rule, no initiations have occurred at Mississippi. Tulane is said to have had a fine delegation of six freshmen pledged, but at last reports not one had entered college.



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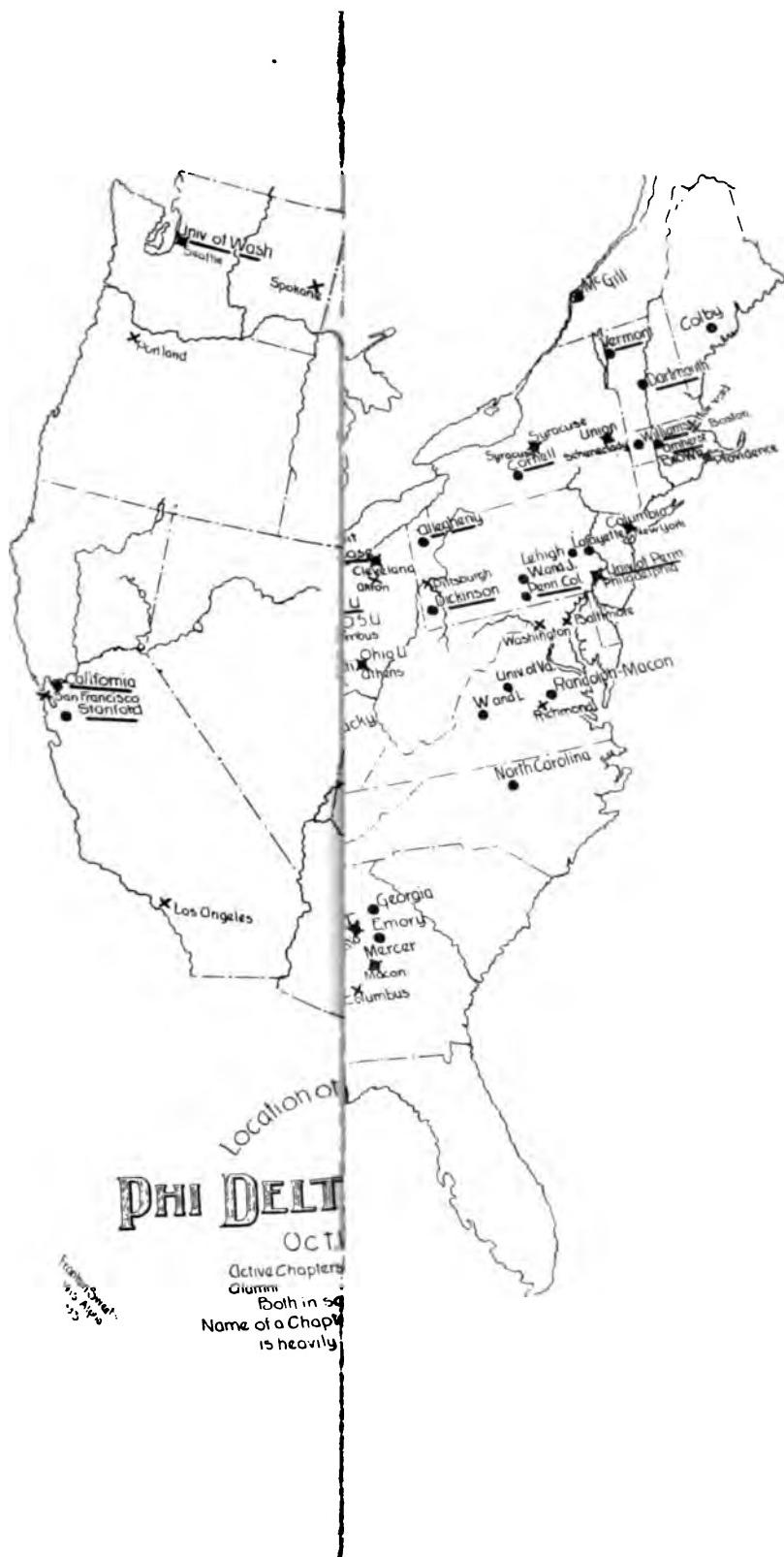
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THE GEOGRAPHY OF PHI DELTA THETA.

At the convention of Zeta province with Wisconsin Alpha chapter at Madison in May, 1902, the visiting brothers were all interested in a certain map, framed and hanging on the walls of the chapterhouse. It was a map of the United States, showing the geographical location of the chapters and alumni clubs of Phi Delta Theta. It had been made and presented to the chapter by Franklin Sweet, *Wisconsin*, '93. So taken with the map were the delegates that, by vote of the convention, arrangements were made to have the map duplicated in order that each delegate might have a copy to present to his own chapter. The editor was present at the convention aforesaid—although not then the editor—and was one of those who coveted the map. He has recently prevailed upon Brother Sweet to bring his map down to date for the benefit of the readers of THE SCROLL.

On looking at the map for the first time one is surprised to find what erroneous impressions he has all along had of the geographical relations between the chapters, and how little he knew about the real lay of Phi Delta Theta territory. Analysis brings out a number of interesting facts. The northernmost chapter is McGill; the southernmost, Tulane, with a close second in Texas; the easternmost, Colby, and the westernmost, California. Three distinct groups of chapters suggest themselves; first, a thickly settled group in Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois, spreading out into Michigan, Kentucky, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota; then the group in the Southeast, comprising Georgia and Alabama, with outlying chapters in Tennessee, Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas; the third group is the eastern wing along the Atlantic coast, beginning with North Carolina and extending northward through the Eastern and New England States into Canada. The four chap-

ters in the far West are isolated ; Colorado standing sentinel midway between Kansas and the coast ; the two California chapters very neighborly at the Golden Gate, and Washington apart indeed, a thousand miles from any other chapter.

To look at the map in another way, draw a line north and south through Omaha, as a central point ; in the eastern half lie 61 chapters and 43 alumni clubs ; leaving in the western half only 7 chapters and 10 alumni clubs. Of the 61 chapters and 43 alumni clubs in the eastern half 45 chapters and 29 clubs lie to the north of St. Louis, and 16 chapters and 14 clubs to the south of St. Louis. Hence, roughly speaking, the northeastern quarter of the United States contains more branches of Phi Delta Theta than all the remaining sections combined. Sixteen states and territories have no branches of Phi Delta Theta within their borders, to wit : Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota, Indian Territory, Arkansas, Florida, South Carolina, West Virginia, Delaware, New Jersey and Connecticut. In four, there are alumni clubs but no chapters : Oregon, Utah, Oklahoma, and Maryland. Three chapters are by the waters of the great lakes, one on the mighty St. Lawrence, two gaze upon the stormy Atlantic, one feels the zephyrs of the Gulf stream, one watches at the Golden Gate, while another—from a site of wonderful beauty—looks out over the noble waters of Puget Sound.

GROWTH OF SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

The growth of Syracuse University in all departments has been so marked in the past ten years, that it is evident even to the casual observer. Not only has it been strengthened in its educational facilities, but in additions to the faculties, student body and buildings. Athletics have also taken a mighty spurt under the fostering influence of Chancellor Day. The social life has held its own in the race of progression, and withal the good old customs have remained and some new ones added.

When Chancellor Day took up the reins of government in 1893, the seeds of progress implanted by the former chancellors were just beginning to sprout. But it needed a master hand to protect and care for the further growth of the plant. Such an one was Chancellor Day, a man of broad



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APPLIED SCIENCE.



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sympathies, keen intellect, and excellent business ability combined with consummate executive powers.

Facts can often tell a story in the shortest space. In 1893 the university consisted of five buildings scattered over the campus of fifty acres, which lay on the heights in the southeastern part of the city. These buildings were the Hall of Languages, or Liberal Arts College, the John Crouse Memorial College of Fine Arts, which is one of the finest colleges of its kind in the country and was erected at a cost of one million dollars. The Von Ranke Library, Holden Observatory and gymnasium complete the list. The faculty numbered about one hundred members inclusive of the College of Medicine. More than eight hundred students were in daily attendance at the three colleges, which were under the supervision of a chancellor.

The inauguration of Chancellor James Roscoe Day in 1893 marked the commencement of a greater university. In June plans were made for a college of law. In 1896 the new medical college on Orange street was opened. In 1897 electrical and civil engineering were added to the extensive list of courses. In June, 1897, the erection of the University Block was begun. It is one of the finest office buildings in the state outside of New York city. In it is located the College of Law. In April, 1898, the Ester B. Steele Hall of Science was commenced. During 1900 Winchell Hall, a finely equipped dormitory of thirty rooms was erected. The year 1902 saw the Lyman C. Smith College of Applied Sciences completed. This was built at the expense of Lyman C. Smith, one of the most generous supporters of Syracuse University. It is a four-story building, fifty-three by one hundred and fifty-six, in which is stored the most modern equipment for electrical, civil and mechanical engineering.

Plans are now ready for Haven Hall, which is to be erected opposite Winchell Hall and facing the campus. It will contain suites of rooms for one hundred students. A central heating plant is being erected at a cost of fifty thousand dollars.

The faculty now numbers about two hundred, and the student body has increased to the two thousand mark. There are at present five colleges, each having its own dean, who has charge of all departments in his respective college. These colleges include courses in liberal arts, fine arts, en-



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gineering, law and medicine. All the departments have kept pace with the ever-increasing growth of the institution in the greater facilities given them. The university library has fifty-one thousand volumes and twenty thousand pamphlets, with room for twice that. In addition to this library, seminar rooms of the various departments furnish excellent material for individual research.

Dean Smalley, of Liberal Arts College, is perhaps the most popular and widely known man in the university next to the chancellor. He has always taken a keen interest in

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AND ATHLETIC FIELD.

athletics, and not only has he aided greatly in advancing Syracuse to the front rank in that direction, but in other departments of college as well. He is ever ready to help the student in difficulties. As the right hand man of the chancellor, he has patched up many difficulties between the chancellor and the various classes.

The athletic interests of Syracuse were at a low ebb ten years ago. Then there was no splendid athletic field with its great quarter-mile track, and ground laid out for baseball, track, and football. It was in the first year of Chancellor Day's rule that the Archibald Field, with its excellent facilities, was completed. Since then the growth in all branches of athletics has been wonderful. In the early nineties it was counted as remarkable to have a football or baseball team defeat Colgate or Rochester. Two years ago the crack Columbia eleven awoke one fine November morning to see orange men from the Salt City depart from the gridiron with the trophies of victory. The preceding year saw the star Cornell baseball team get neatly trimmed by a score of six to one. Recently three successive years have witnessed the orange track team take fifth place at the inter-collegiate Mott Haven games. Such men as Prinstein, Lee, Whittemore, Lewis, Waite, Gardner, Scrafford, and Will Lowe have assisted in this remarkable feat. The more noteworthy as only seven or eight men are sent down each year to compete with the cracks of the whole country.

The university navy is the latest branch of sport Syracuse has developed. This was started through the generosity of Lyman C. Smith. It is now but four years old. In that brief time its growth has been almost phenomenal. Coach E. R. Sweetland, who recently severed his connection with the university, is the man who saw the birth of the navy and assisted materially in bringing it to its present prosperity and success. Last year the orange was represented by two strong crews, 'varsity and freshman, at Poughkeepsie. The freshman crew gained an easy victory over the junior Harvard eight on Lake Cayuga last May, and also pushed the junior Cornell crew hard for first place.

Last year more than eighteen thousand dollars were raised and expended on athletics. A generation ago it was a hard proposition to raise one-fourth that sum. Coaches are now chosen and training tables kept for the regular branches of the work. This is one result of the increased

financial aid. Another is the improved facilities offered from year to year to a correspondingly large number of candidates.

The social life of Syracuse is most enjoyable. There are eighteen fraternities in the university. Each of these gives



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one or more functions of importance during the college year. Many hold informal dances several times each semester. Besides the fraternity functions and dances there are the sophomore cotillion, junior promenade and senior ball. All of these are well attended and besides the pleasure they give, afford an excellent opportunity for broadening one's

acquaintance and gaining new friends. The annual glee club concert in John Crouse College always draws a large crowd and is one of the university functions. The various plays and benefits given by the different departments present an opportunity for joining pleasure with duty.

There are two old customs of Syracuse of peculiar interest to all who have been, or will be, freshmen in this university. These are 'Flour Night' and the 'Salt Rush.'

The night preceding opening day of college is 'Flour Night.' On this occasion the sophomores, loaded down with small bags of flour, and in many cases lamp black, assemble in a body in the vicinity of Walnut Park, which faces the campus. The freshmen, coached by the juniors, congregate near Oakwood cemetery, about a quarter of a mile away. After the ranks of both have been filled, each takes up its line of march, meeting at the edge of the campus. When the forces are about forty yards apart they are instructed in tactics by the seniors and juniors. The word 'go' being given, two masses are hurled on each other only to be hidden from view by a cloud of flour, mixed with lamp black, floating through the air. Good-natured struggles and wrestling matches galore are indulged in, while each class is trying its best to push back the other. The scene is full of interest, and a large crowd from the city and university is on hand to watch the participants. After a half hour of struggling, an upper classman could not distinguish his most intimate friend in the yelling, pushing, panting crowd. When one side has shown its superiority, the rush is called off by the seniors. The freshmen then join hands, file after file, and march around the streets past the fraternity houses in the vicinity of the campus. Finally, rallying around their leader on the campus, they give their song and yell for the first time, and then depart, probably with faces as black as the night which surrounds them.

The 'Salt Rush' takes place the next morning immediately after the first chapel. The sophomores do not attend the opening exercises in John Crouse College, but assemble outside, each having an abundant supply of salt bags. After the exercises are over and all others have departed from John Crouse College, the freshmen, who are dressed in their most antique clothes, line up, each having a paint mark put on his face by which his newly-found confederates may distinguish him in the rush. When the 'freshies' appear

from the rear entrance of the college the sophomores are at once in evidence with their salt. It not only rains salt, but pours. When the two classes come together, a general struggle ensues to push each other over the hill, near at hand. The dual scraps and the general rush are enjoyed by many spectators. In a short time the freshmen are so rubbed that no class mark remains on their persons save the distinctive green. Then the laughable scene takes place of one or two of the freshmen struggling to throw one of their unrecognized classmates down the hill, for in the general



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scramble all freshmen look alike. When the pleasantries have been exchanged, the youngsters line up and march around Crouse College three times, trying meanwhile to keep their line intact. The ranks are composed of a motley crowd. All have on old clothes, old sweaters and other habiliments of antiquity. Here are three or four with sleeveless shirts and torn sweaters, there are several with faces as verdant as the grass they are rubbed in. All are out of breath and striving in the march to possess that which is quite foreign to them, dignity and precision. The march ended, the sophomore class president issues a chal-

lenge from the sophomores to the freshmen for a dual track meet and a series of football games, and the freshman class president accepts. All undergraduates join in the songs 'Where the Vale of Onondaga' and 'Oh, Syracuse.' When the crowd at last disperses, it feels it has seen the entering class duly initiated into college.

The most important growth of the university has been left to the last. This is the increase in material resources. The great development in this line is due to the excellent financier at the head of the university, namely, Chancellor James R. Day. He has the happy faculty of getting money to run the colleges, while at the same time making the moneyed men staunch friends of the university. A brief summary of finances for the last ten years, the time he has been chancellor, will illustrate the point.

Receipts from tuition and fees:

Year ending June 1, 1893.....	\$29,548 04
Year ending June 1, 1903.....	97,000 00

Total receipts from all sources including special subscriptions toward endowment:

Year ending June 1, 1892.....	\$117,045 24
Year ending June 1, 1902.....	779,311 00

Total net resources:

Year ending June 1, 1892.....	\$1,708,399 35
Year ending June 1, 1902.....	3,053,361 62

Such is the brief but telling summary of the financial prosperity of Syracuse University. This need only be coupled with the increase in students from eight hundred to two thousand in the last decade to complete the story.

Syracuse University, possessed of an excellent faculty, fine location and splendid resources, is just coming to realize its possibilities. Its past prosperity and its wonderful present are but stepping stones to a grand future when it will enjoy undreamed of wealth and power.

FRATERNITY CONDITIONS.

Among the men's fraternities, Delta Kappa Epsilon was the first to be established, in 1871. The chapter has recently built a beautiful house; it is of brick, trimmed with white marble. The national convention of Δ K E was held with the local chapter in November. Delta Upsilon was estab-

lished here in 1873 and also owns a chapterhouse. Psi Upsilon, established in 1875, is the possessor of a very pleasing chapterhouse of the colonial type, on a magnificent site, commanding a view of the campus and of the city. Phi Kappa Psi also owns its chapterhouse, and in April the local chapter entertained within its walls the second district convention, comprising New York and the New England states. The remaining men's fraternities in order of establishment



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are Phi Delta Theta, Beta Theta Pi, Nu Sigma Nu (medical), Phi Delta Phi (law), Delta Chi (law), Alpha Kappa Kappa (medical), Phi Gamma Delta, Chi Alpha Sigma (local), and Alpha Omega Delta (medical).

Phi Gamma Delta, though not established at Syracuse until 1901, recently purchased a comfortable house. Rumors are afloat that Chi Alpha Sigma, local, has been looking at several strong national fraternities with a view to getting a charter.

Among the women's fraternities, two have the parent chapter in Syracuse. They are Alpha Phi and Gamma Phi Beta. The local chapter of Alpha Phi is almost the only chapter of a women's fraternity in any college to own its chapterhouse. Other women's fraternities are Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi, Delta Delta Delta, Zeta Phi (medical), Delta Gamma. This year Gamma Phi Beta and Kappa Alpha Theta as well as Psi Upsilon are trying the plan of not pledging until the second semester. They seem to be strictly observing the rule.

Taken as a whole, the fraternities in Syracuse are in a flourishing condition and are a credit to the university. Intense rivalry has given way to general harmony and placing of college before fraternity.

CLEMENT T. ROBERTSON, '05.

COLLEGE ANNUALS OF 1903.*

It has been our privilege to see and study the annuals of seventeen colleges where $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has chapters. A very great pleasure it was thus to get better acquainted with such a number of our most important and strongest institutions, and from the standpoint of the books themselves we believe we were most fortunate in the annuals sent us, so kindly sent us. Certain it is that as a whole the books received show remarkable cleverness in the compilation, arrangement, editorial judgment, and mechanics of this distinctive feature of our American college life—the college annual. To preserve the record of undergraduate days, to catch up and perpetuate the spirit of *alma mater*, to sum up within the pages of a book the year's doings on campus and in field—these are the achievements of the annual, the souvenir *par excellence* of college.

The books received and reviewed in the following pages are:

- The *Kaldron* of Allegheny.
- The *Microcosm* of Dickinson.
- The *Syllabus* of Northwestern.
- The *Sacitar* of Missouri.
- The *Cactus* of Texas.

* Our brothers of Vermont very kindly sent us a copy of the *Ariel*, but unfortunately it turned out to be the '03 book, which was reviewed in THE SCROLL for December, 1902.

The *Jayhawker* of Kansas.
The *Gulielmension* of Williams.
The *Tyee* of Washington State.
The *Oracle* of Colby.
The *Old McGill* of McGill.
The *Debris* of Purdue.
The *Liber Brunensis* of Brown.
The *Gale* of Knox.
The *Michiganensian* of Michigan.
The *Melange* of Lafayette.
The *Ilio* of Illinois.
The *Olio* of Amherst.

The *Kaldron*, in blue and gold, in the conventional year-book style, gives a full record of Allegheny's 225 students and their doings, besides bestowing some attention on the three classes in the preparatory school, an unusual feature in this respect being that in the lists of the prep. students those pledged to fraternities are designated by the Greek letters after their names, in the same manner as the members in the college classes. A casual observer would be misled into presuming that the fraternities admitted prep. students. While still published by the fraternities the *Kaldron* is no longer devoted more particularly to fraternity interests, but is now representative of the entire student corps, and the non-fraternity element has a place on the board of editors. Allegheny's best record in athletics was made by the basketball team. In twelve games played, two were lost, one each to Geneva and Westminster, but only after winning from both. Among the teams defeated were Western Reserve, Pennsylvania State, Syracuse, Pennsylvania and Oberlin. The fraternities play a very important part in the life, and most of the honors and preferments seem to go to their members. No mention is made of Θ N E, although Allegheny is credited with a chapter in the chapter roll of Θ N E appearing in other annuals. There are, however, two inter-fraternity sororities, 'Skin & Bones' and Iota Rho Epsilon. Inter-chapter relations are successful and a 'Pan-Heavenly' banquet is held by the girls' fraternities, as well as the 'Pan-Hellenic' of the men. Interest in the advertisements—present in uncommon number—is enhanced in a clear manner, by a sprinkling of the items of the college calendar—that ancient vehicle of quips and

quirks—through the advertising pages. In typography and arrangement, a conservative regard for convenience is apparent rather than an eye for original ideas and artistic effect. The $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ interest is strong. The '03 *Kaldron* presents the remarkable instance of a $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ editor-in-chief, associate editor, and business manager. $\Sigma A E$, $\Phi K \Psi$, $\Delta T \Delta$, $K K \Gamma$, and $K A \Theta$ have one representative each; $A X \Omega$ two, and there is one non-fraternity representative. Pennsylvania Delta of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ shows a diversity of interest and is represented in all lines of activity. Among the offices held by $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ are the presidency of the Y. M. C. A.; presidency of the athletic association; managership of the football team (the captain being a $\Sigma A E$); captaincy of the baseball team (the manager being a Barb); managership and assistant managership of the *Campus* board (a $\Phi K \Psi$ being editor-in-chief); and the position of editor-in-chief of the *Literary Monthly*; besides minor class and club positions.

The *Microcosm* of Dickinson comes in scarlet, with a $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, Charles L. Swift, '04, editor-in-chief. Another member of Pennsylvania Epsilon, Wm. H. Cheesman, is on the staff of sixteen, the business manager being a $\Phi K \Sigma$. The book is well-rounded, and capably printed, and shows Dickinson's 333 students (not counting 148 in the prep. school) participating in all lines of student enterprise. An interesting page is the alumni statistics, showing, among other things, that of the 4,201 graduates 1,976 have entered professions. One graduate became president of the United States, but his name is not given. Nearly all faculty members are fraternity men, President Reed being ΨY . $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has five faculty members. The law school is treated in a separate department, like the prep. school at the end of the book; the latter being given unusual attention, with teams, groups, grinds, etc. The fraternities show great activity in all fields, and most of the desired posts are held by them. Some fraternities are said to get prominent men by initiating them. $\Theta N E$ flourishes and has its fiery plate in the book, a thing rarely seen. $\Phi K \Psi$ has five members in $\Theta N E$ and ΣX is represented. The Sophomore Band, with motto *Laborare est Hades*, seems to fill the place usually assigned to $\Theta N E$; 5 of its 12 members are Phis. The Co-mus club is an inter-fraternity organization, whose purpose presumably is to be inferred from its name. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ seems to be holding her own with the following distinctions:

freshman president, senior vice-president and secretary, manager sophomore athletics, 3 of 7 members Raven's Claw (senior), 5 of 12 members Sophomore Band; football manager and 5 men on the team, 4 winners in field sports, captain track team, representatives on track, relay, and basketball teams, 2 men holding records and 6 winning the 'D'; 3 men in one literary society and 7 in the other; president and 6 members Comus club; manager and 6 members musical association, and a representative in the dramatic club; business manager and an editor of the *Dickinsonian*, editor-in-chief and one associate on *Microcosm* staff, with an assistant from the law school and a pledge from the prep. school, class day orator, representatives in public debates, and 4 winners of commencement prizes. There is the usual plethora of pictures, and some of the drawings are very creditable; it is not clear, however, whether the latter are original contributions of undergraduates. A pleasing touch is given the class histories by being prefaced each with an apostrophe to the class in blank verse; the one for '04 is by Cheesman, Φ Δ Θ. A really amusing account of glee club adventures is given in a series of letters, 'Tommy Tennor's Daily Letters to His Brother.' The best joke in the book—pointed by the fact that the law school is treated as a thing apart, being set at the end with the prep. school—is apparently unconscious—the law members in the fraternity lists being set in each chapter under the engaging title, *Fratres in Legc.*

An altogether unusual excellence in the drawings is the predominant feature of the *Syllabus* of Northwestern. The great profusion of original pictures, illustrating every variety of subject, and exhibiting a surprising consistency in merit, marks this book a noteworthy production. Most of the illustrations were drawn by an '03 man, who was at the same time employed professionally as an artist by a Chicago newspaper. His associate in making pictures for the book was a fellow member of the same newspaper staff, inferentially also a Northwestern man, although it is not so stated. Some of the full-page cartoons deserve special mention for their aptness, the introductory picture to the fraternity list—a death's head formed by the smoke of Aladdin's lamp, the crevices of the skull presenting other interesting and shadowy forms—being particularly well worked out and a creditable improvement over the usual

treatment of this hackneyed subject. Unusual editorial judgment is displayed in the handling of the exercises and ceremonies attending the installation of Northwestern's new president, Dr. Edmund J. James, on October 19-21, 1902. The events of that occasion and the occasion itself deserve the elaborate attention given them in the book, full programs, pictures, and accounts of all the exercises being given, together with interesting historical data. A good idea is seen also in classing certain subjects common to all annuals under the general head 'Honors and Events.' Under this head, as the first subject, is given the $\Phi\ B\ K$ list, which, it seems to the writer, is the proper place rather than the fag end of the fraternity list where it is usually seen. The treatment of that old and time-honored subject, 'The Calendar,' is very creditable indeed, and in the way of sustained fun is the best thing in the book. For an outsider it contains many good things, but for a Northwestern undergraduate it must be a source of unending amusement. It is exceedingly well worked out and is the more interesting for being the work of a $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, John B. Romans, ably seconded by the illustrators. $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, with a chapter of 12, made a good showing in student activities. One man made $\Phi\ B\ K$; 2 the *Syllabus* board; 1 the *Northwestern* board; and 3 were cast for parts in 'varsity plays; 2 were named committee-men for the pan-hellenic prom; 2 belonged to $\Delta\ X$ (law), and 2 to $N\ \Sigma\ N$ (medical); in athletics 2 men made the football team, 1 the baseball team, a number playing on class teams, and 2 the track team, 4 winning the 'N.' All in all Illinois Alpha seems well into Northwestern affairs.

The *Savitar* of Missouri comes in a novel and attractive binding of old gold burlap, with cover design in black. The best thing in the book comes at the very beginning and it is really excellent. It is the dedication, to United States Senator George Graham Vest, apropos of his retirement from a long and honorable service, and in recognition of his splendid gift to the university of his private library of public documents. The '03 *Savitar* is treated more in the fashion of a year-book, given over largely to statistics, records, and a preponderance of photographs, particularly of individual students, and seems not to be regarded a particular field for literary or artistic effort. There are a few contributions of merit, and one or two clever drawings, but on the whole original effort is minimized. The typography of

the book is of high order, and the printer showed talent and originality in the arrangement. While in a few places there is loss of dignity by reason of over-bold type, on the whole the book, mechanically, is very creditable. Missouri's athletics are on the up-grade. While the football team was a disappointment and by a reversal of form lost the coveted match with Kansas, the track team showed great improvement and gives promise of more. Basketball is given over entirely to the women students. The stronghold of Missouri appears to be debate, and much prominence is given to the debating teams, although the results are not always made clear to the outside reader. Annual debates are held with Kansas, Nebraska and Illinois, and Missouri has won 9 in 14. The School of Mines at Rolla, a department of the university, has very meager representation in the book, consisting merely of two pages and those devoted, for some peculiar reason, entirely to the sophomore class. The wherefore of the omission is not stated. By all odds, the most remarkable thing in the book is the arrangement of the fraternity lists, no attention whatever being paid to chronological order. Π Β Φ (1899) is first, followed by K K Γ (1875); then come K A (1891), B Θ Π (1891), Σ X (1896), and in sixth place, followed by the rest, Φ Δ Θ (1870), which according to long-established custom, being the oldest, should have been first. There seems to have been only disregard of precedent in this, the two fraternity men on the staff being a Φ Γ Δ and a Φ Δ Φ, but our Missouri Alpha brothers were surely not wide-aware to allow this right of precedence to slip away. With a membership reduced to 14, much smaller than usual, and a majority of lower classmen, Φ Δ Θ makes a fair showing, though not occupying the predominant position of former years.

Buckskin covers and ties give a striking and original appearance to *The Cactus* of the University of Texas, issued by the athletic association. This is another annual with a Φ Δ Θ editor-in-chief, and in many ways it reflects credit upon him and his staff. While there is something left to be desired in the matter of typographical taste and general mechanical make-up—this being rather a fault of the printer—on the whole the proper proportions between records and statistics, photographs and pictures, and original contributions, have been well observed, and an interesting book is the result. A compliment which is well worth

paying, though it cannot be paid to all college annuals, is that *The Cactus* breathes a good, wholesome loyalty to the university; not vaunting or boastful, but a pure pride and affection for *alma mater*. This which gives the reader an increased respect for the University of Texas. One wonders at the use of stock cuts and copied drawings, when he comes to the highly meritorious original contributions of the staff artists. Some of these are among the best college work we have seen, the cartoons of E. C. Connor, Σ A E,—and especially his three full-page pictures introducing athletics—being extremely clever. It seems a pity the editors should have used any pictures other than the original work of the staff, for the stock cuts and copies cheapen the book. The drawings are the best feature, but another and almost equally noteworthy is a refreshing method of getting off ‘grinds.’ It is called ‘Court Reports,’ wherein by the use of the stilted legal verbiage the hit loses its boldness, and by indirection reaches the mark with increased zest. Even to a casual reader they are amusing—we all know the college types; the killer, the egoist, the blatant-mouth, *et al.*, are with us, aye, everywhere. These and other offenders are led to the bar of justice, and the docket announced *ad infinitum*. For instance: The Fairies vs. —, * * * for disturbing Sylvan Solitudes with loud and vociferous noises * * * ; State of Texas vs. —, murder in the first degree; victim, venerable Father Time * * *. Another and an individual method of applying roasts is in the patent medicine ‘Cactine,’ recommended to various victims for their alleged maladies. These two original touches enliven the book considerably, and are its best literary contributions. Φ Δ Θ heads the fraternity list, and by their participation in college activities our brothers of Texas Beta seem to live up to their senior position. The chapter of X Φ prints ‘1824, at Princeton,’ as the year and place of founding of that fraternity. It has been some years since we saw this myth revived. Two pages devoted to views of the fraternity houses are very interesting (despite the fact the names are omitted), and make us wonder why more annuals do not do likewise.

The '03 *Jayhawker* of Kansas University is issued by the graduating class, and its mission is ‘to amuse rather than to instruct.’ It comes in a binding of green and gold, presumably class colors, as the ‘varsity flaunts the red and blue.



THE KANSAS CHAPTER.

$\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is represented on the art staff. The book is not a large volume, and much of the kind of information the ordinary annual contains is not presented. It is mainly devoted to lists of the graduating classes, the fraternity chapter rolls, athletics, and original contributions of a comic or satirical nature. The original drawings are almost all caricatures, even the picture introducing the senior lawyers being a pudgy caricature of the figure Justice, trying the law school in the balance and finding it outweighed by Common-sense. From the standpoint of the printer the book is not up to the standard. It is somewhat amateurish in make-up and arrangement, and lacks the finish and artistic effect one has learned to expect in college annuals. Even the small matter of Greek type is not well carried out, the printer using makeshifts instead of providing a larger font. Much of the original matter in the literary columns is in the nature of local hits and appreciable only to K. U. undergraduates. Two or three lengthy pieces in blank verse are evidently the product of considerable effort. Two particular 'grind'-ers, however, are entertaining to any reader—any who knows the college youth—'The K. U. Hall of Fame' and 'Mental Aberrations of the Omar Khayyam of K. U.', both of which titles are suggestive enough. The cleverest page in the book is a rough caricature of fraternity badges, altering each in a manner to suggest the cardinal characteristic of its wearers. It makes a number of very neat hits. A certain impression gained from the *Jay-hawker* is the prominence of the co-eds at K. U. Out of 16 members of '03 elected to $\Phi\Beta\Kappa$, 12 were women. The $\Sigma\Xi$ page contains the naive statement that 'the Kansas and Yale chapters are the ones to which the fraternity points with most pride.' $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, with 3 faculty members and 22 in the active chapter, occupies an influential position, holding various college and class offices. Five of the chapter belong to $\Theta\Nu\Xi$ and one to $\Phi\Delta\Phi$.

The *Gulielmensian*, Volume XLVII, of Williams, is a sample of the highest excellence in the art of bookmaking. In its arrangement, typography, taste, and mechanical get-up generally it is most creditable, and the printers as well as editors should be congratulated upon their work. In these days of fine printing, in sections where capable printers are available, there is no excuse for college publications being other than of a very high standard, for if our college

men do not do their best toward improving the public taste, to whom shall we look? At any rate the Williams '04 class has determined to do its share, and has put out a book, which, artistically at least, is a credit to the college. The records, lists, and general college statistics are exceedingly well done, in fact the plan is a model one. We gain the interesting item that there have been 4,009 men graduated from the college, and another interesting page gives the list of presidents of the college, eight in number since its establishment in 1793. The most notable perhaps being the Reverend Mark Hopkins (1836-1872). The book is devoted mainly to college statistics, the original contributions being few in comparison. The drawings, while well finished, in technique are not up to the standard of the rest of the book. Two exceptions are a most attractive title-plate in orange and black, and 'Suggestions for Chapel Windows,' heads well known to the college being worked into the places of honorees. Varsity dramatics have long been successful; an interesting page is devoted to a list of plays presented by the Williams dramatic associations since 1872. Groups of the fraternity houses are given, a feature to be expected in so well-ordered a book; indeed their insertion ought to be a matter of course in every annual. We regret to record the fact that in the fraternity lists Phi Delta Theta is not presented in a satisfactory manner. The use of the old plate of the coat-of-arms, out of date since 1898, when the Columbus convention adopted the present arms, is somewhat surprising; but surprising indeed is the chapter-roll presented. According to this list $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has 67 chapters, counting as separate institutions Center College and Central University (merged into one in 1901), and has no chapters at Gettysburg and Colorado, these two being omitted entirely. The list also gives Butler, Lombard and Colby Colleges the title of university, and while a chronological order of chapters is attempted it is imperfectly carried out. We commend our Williams brothers to THE SCROLL directory. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$'s representation in other Williams affairs is more creditable. One member each in ΦBK , Gargoyle (senior), commencement speakers, class-day committee; prizes in history and debating, and a Book prize; sophomore presidency, two on weekly staff, an intercollegiate debater; representatives on glee and mandolin clubs, relay and basketball teams, presidency and another member of track team, as well as

captain of sophomore track team, holder of college pole-vault record, with two winners of the 'W'; these are some of the things Massachusetts Alpha did.

The *Tyee*, Volume IV, of the University of Washington, has the breezy air of the great Northwest. Its declared purpose to give a picture of the life at the University of Washington, as well as preserve the record of the year's doings, is well achieved. The picture we get is a life full of vigor, interest, enthusiasm and promise, to say nothing of growth and progress, the well-known and to-be-expected attributes of all live organizations and institutions in this wonderful section. The printed book, while not altogether perfect as a work of art, is very meritorious for a fourth volume. Many of the ordinary faults have been avoided, and unusual editorial judgment is shown. The drawings are better in conception than execution; however, several attractive head-pieces are exceptions. Several drawings are reproduced in colors, but the effect is not as good as probably was expected. The colors seem somehow out of place. The introductory fraternity cartoon abandons the conventional picture of mysteries, and shows a caricature of a freshman being 'rushed' by rival 'spikers,' which is an agreeable and effective innovation. The literary contributions deserve special comment. While of small literary value, they are collectively most successful in adducing the atmosphere and giving a real notion of the life of the college. From this point of view they are of exceptional merit. Most of the contributions are simple little tales touching on incidents on the campus; one—the best, we think—entitled 'The Manager's Dream,' is of more than local interest, being a well-taken satire on present-day management of athletics. The campus is very properly the pride of the university; at the junction of Lake Union and Lake Washington, noble expanses of water, in full view of Mount Rainier, in the midst of the typical fir woods of the Northwest, it has been many times declared to be the most beautiful site for a college in the world. The women students participate in 'varsity affairs to an unusual extent, having even their own crew. Inter-collegiate rowing has not so far been developed, but is expected to come very soon. The men's fraternities shown are Σ N (1896), Φ Γ Δ (1900), Φ Δ Θ (1900), Β Θ Π (1901), all being in houses. From the pictures, all four houses seem to have been built for the purpose. Φ Δ Θ's claims to prom-

inence in college affairs are based on the following: Member board of regents, Hon. James Z. Moore, *Miami*, '67; sophomore president, freshman vice-president and treasurer; one member Stanford debate team, two Idaho debate team; second place oratorical contest, five members glee and mandolin clubs; one member 'varsity and one college team, one member track team and one on senior baseball team, two winning the 'W'; one member *Tyee* staff, editor-in-chief and an associate editor *Pacific Wave*; representatives on sophomore frolic, freshman glee and 'varsity ball committees, all of which seems to indicate that our Washington brothers are a lively set.

Two striking facts attract the attention of a reader of the Colby *Oracle*; the first is that every student in college appears to be a fraternity man, and the second, the unusual way in which the women students apparently are segregated from the men. According to the class lists every man in the senior, junior and sophomore classes is a fraternity man, Greek letters being printed after every name. In the freshman list no Greek letters appear for any of the thirty freshmen; however, the fraternity lists include freshmen delegations, aggregating for the 5 fraternities 35 men. The 4 class lists include 107 men, while the 5 fraternity lists total 109 men, divided as follows: Δ K E (1845) 27, Z Ψ (1850) 22, Δ Y (1852) 28, Φ Δ Θ (1884) 25, A T Ω (1892) 7. There are 72 women students, bringing the total attendance to 179; the faculty numbers 12 professors and 4 assistants and instructors. The writer is not informed as to the particular species of co-education in vogue at Colby, and is therefore struck with the peculiar manner in which the affairs of the women students are separated from the affairs of the men. There are separate class officers, class histories and class lists for the men and women; on commencement programs there are again separate class prophecies, poems and histories; the women do not participate in college dramatics, and have a senior society of their own; on the other hand, they are elected to Φ B K and appear on college publications. While the student corps is small in number it appears to pursue with some degree of vigor the usual undergraduate activities. Φ Δ Θ appears to good advantage, with the following preferments: Φ B K, 1; senior society, 1; freshman society, 1; executive athletic committee, chairman football committee, 3 on football team, 2 on baseball team, including

captain, 2 on basketball team, 6 wearers of the 'C'; managers musical association and glee club and 4 members; *Oracle* staff, *Record* staff, and 2 on weekly; an officer and 2 committeemen Y. M. C. A.; a place on junior exhibition and 3 places on freshman exhibition.

One could hardly ask for a more satisfactory insight into the life and workings of a university than is to be had from *Old McGill*, '04. A careful perusal of this book will give the reader unacquainted with McGill a very complete picture of the institution. The student life is not yet the highly organized system we know in the colleges in the United States, but McGill has made vast strides in recent years away from the old Scottish idea of a university—where the university lectured to the student and as for the remainder left him to shift for himself. The one exception to the general merit of the book, the only feature of the college life not clear to the reader, is the basis on which women attend the university. They are styled 'Donaldas,' have separate class organizations, their own societies, and are segregated into Royal Victoria College; but whether they are full-fledged co-eds is not clear from the book. *Old McGill* has a number of excellent features, some of them peculiar to itself. The editorial greeting is a great improvement on the ordinary perfunctory apology; in the nature of a preface, it contains a great deal of sound advice to the students, and the things said are well worth saying. Following the faculty lists appear short sketches of professors acquired during the year; a directory of alumni associations is given, and a list of the editors-in-chief and business managers of the seven volumes of *Old McGill*. The featured article of this year's book is a voluminous account of 'The Rise and Progress of the Medical Faculty.' The medical school was the foundation stone of the university, and evidently is yet its most important department, 470 of the 1,389 students being in attendance there. By far the most interesting pages to the outsider are those occupied by a brief article by the principal on 'Student Interests.' He therein discusses the university's relations with its students frankly and entertainingly, and we learn from him a great deal about McGill. The feeling that the university cannot do too much for its students is gradually supplanting the old notion of the Scottish educators, and McGill's student life is being rapidly developed. In the course of his remarks he refers to the entrance of Greek

letter societies as an evidence of progress in this direction. The fraternities, Z Ψ (1883), A Δ Φ (1897), Δ Y (1898), K A, Δ K E (1900), Θ Δ X (1901), Φ Δ Θ (1902), and Φ B II (medical) have not acquired the prominence in student affairs we are accustomed to see, but judging from the evident capabilities of a number of the Greek letter men, the fraternities include a goodly proportion of the able men. All the fraternities are represented in the book, some with chapter-roll merely, others with chapter-roll and heraldic plate, while three, A Δ Φ , Δ Y and Δ K E show chapter-roll, plate and chapter-list. Φ Δ Θ shows the chapter-roll and the coat-of-arms. A noteworthy organization is the Alma Mater society—one worthy of universal emulation. Typographically *Old McGill* is a satisfactory book; the views are well chosen and of unusual interest, and many of the original drawings—head and tail pieces, as well as full-page cartoons—are of high merit.

The predominant field of student recreation at Purdue, as depicted in the '03 *Debris*, is athletics. Purdue's pride is wrapped up, second only to the value of her work, in her athletes. They are accorded the meed of highest praise and the place of greatest distinction. Fierce is the spirit that backs her warriors on every field, and the current is strong and never ceasing. The stimulation of it is felt by the reader, which fact—to transmute by the printed page what Purdue men are pleased to call 'the Purdue spirit'—is in a way a high compliment. The account of the athletics has the first place in the book after the faculty list, and there is a wealth of groups and photographic views of athletic events, no doubt serenely satisfying to the undergraduate. The press work of the book is excellent and the typography, while lacking in originality, is nevertheless very satisfactory. Many of the original head and tail pieces and smaller pictures are clever, but the full-page drawings are not up to the general merit of the book. The senior class, which publishes the *Debris*, occupies much space with its own affairs, and alters in a restful manner the conventional order of topics, making records and statistics more readable by the occasional introduction of original contributions. A pleasing departure in the class list is the classification of the 186 members under sub-heads, 'Proper,' 'Conceited,' 'Ambitious,' 'Religious,' 'Lobsters,' 'Nutty,' 'Harmless,' 'Also Ran,' etc. Among the college organizations is the unusual

one, the Masonic Club, with thirty members. The fraternities play a prominent part in college affairs and come in for many jests in the well-filled department of 'roasts.' A medium of pointed pleasantries at the various chapters is an array of 'chapter minutes,' while the page, 'What the Frats Spike On,' affords another excellent opportunity for caricaturing prominent characteristics. The spiking argument accredited to Σ X was inevitable: Georgeadejohnmc-cutcheonbootharkingtonourboys (*sic*). The '03 *Debris* is distinguished in having a Φ Δ Θ editor-in-chief, as well as two other members of the staff. Φ Δ Θ stands well in student affairs generally, being represented on the weekly and '04 *Debris*, including president of sophomores, manager, assistant manager and director glee and mandolin clubs, two undergraduate elections to T B II, two captains of cadets; and in athletics, having a director of athletic board, two men on football team and two substitutes, two on track team, and one member and a substitute in basketball, besides the college delegate to the state athletic association.

Liber Brunensis, '03, is a well-printed, well-ordered book, and shows the trained hand and the mark of tradition. The typographical taste is above criticism, yet it seems to a reader of college publications that in so well edited a book a little freer rein might have been allowed to original effort in the way of arrangement, pictures, type, etc. This is not criticism in an uncomplimentary sense, merely a suggested regret that the opportunity for allowing some of the sub-surface talent to crop out was passed. The '03 *Liber* is distinguished by a valuable contribution from the pen of President W. H. P. Faunce. It is a brief dissertation on 'The Function of Upper Classmen,' and is so very good we could not refrain from commending it to our readers by reprinting it elsewhere in this number of THE SCROLL. Another notable contribution is by Professor Meiklejohn, dean and president of athletics, on the value of 'varsity athletics to the university, in which he maintains that 'varsity athletics constitute the most important social activity of the students, not for the exercise it gives, nor the fun of it to the participants, nor as an advertising medium to attract students, but because it arouses college spirit, inspires a common enthusiasm in the whole student body, arraying them as a single corps in competition with the students of another college; in short, the foremost of our recreations in which American students

fight their battles by proxy. A clever departure from the conventional run of 'grinds' takes the form of the pages of a book, 'The Fruits of a Double Life, or When Alma Mater Grins'; the table of contents, (I) Fiction and Fable, (II) Odes, Epodes, and Other Odious Oddities, (III) Love Letters from Our Correspondents, (IV) Pages from Contemporary History, readily suggests the manner of what follows. The fraternities apparently are uncommonly influential in student matters, and $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ sustains a creditable position. The *Liber* is published by the fraternities, and in itself is high testimony to their abilities, talent and enterprise. A remarkable deviation from fraternity life as observed at most colleges is that no chapter seems to occupy a chapterhouse.

The 1904 *Gale*, of Knox, is a joy to see and read. It surpasses in get-up, artistic finish and originality of arrangement and treatment all the annuals it has been the writer's privilege to see. This book is interesting to any college man of any day, and the man who picks it up will read it through, so engaging are the clever touches which greet one from page to page. The *Gale* is a fair-sized, exceedingly well-printed volume and avoids bulkiness, while containing all the essential records and digging up new additional facts, valuable to the undergraduate. Prosaic subjects, such as class histories and faculties, are handled with a refreshing sprightliness, and there is everywhere present the evidence of talented hands. As a work of art simply it must be said the *Gale* is a highly creditable performance, and distinctly in advance of its contemporaries. As a college annual it leaves almost nothing to be desired. It is interesting to note that two of the chief instrumentalities in the *Gale*'s success are Phis—Harold M. Holland, artist, and Allen A. Green, photographer. The book contains so many good things, and in its whole make-up is such an example of taste and talent and originality, we could wish each of our readers had a copy. A fine steel engraving of President McClelland forms the frontispiece, accompanied by a facetious ode, 'To Prexy.' The dedication is unusually clever, being 'To the Game of the Gridiron,' an illustrated set of verses reaching back to the time of Moses in 'the rushes' and David 'landing his man.' Original arrangement of conventional topics, interspersed with gayety and wit, make these usually monotonous pages more readable. Even class lists are illuminated with wit, and the impossible class histories—the *bete noir* of

editors—achieve some excuse for being. Interesting information not often seen in college annuals includes: the list of the presidents of Knox with dates; the dates of erection of the college buildings; a list of the class plays for a number of years, with the principal actors; alumni statistics of men and women since 1890; a list of publications by faculty members during the year. A novel treatment of the faculty list is 'Faculty Silhouettes' instead of photographs, pictorially and figuratively carried out; an amusing grind is the record of faculty attendance on chapel for forty days, shown in a plotted curve, a very jagged one. The pictures in the book are decidedly good, especially the photographic views of Knox scenes, which are superb. The drawings are of high order, especially in conception, tones and finish; a novel title-plate, several memorial window suggestions, a football poster and four poster girls being particularly noteworthy. An interesting fact gathered from the *Gale* is that apparently to the women (Whiting Hall) are left the pastimes, boating, basketball, fencing and swimming; at any rate the women have clubs which practice each of these sports, while no mention is made of a similar masculine practice. An interesting record is the list of college social functions with dates and places, including fraternity hops and receptions, class doings, special doings, dinners, etc. A page of views of the fraternity boxes at the junior prom is also given. Only one unfavorable comment on the whole book suggests itself to the writer's mind—that possibly some of the grinds are a little too cutting. It is quite possible this is a mistaken view, and we hope it is. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ seems to take a large share in everything that goes on in the college and to have numerous representatives in all spheres. To enumerate all the positions and offices and distinctions gained would be to go over the whole book again.

The *Michigananarian*, '03, is a year book, properly so-called, of the class of 1903, which issues it. It is a large volume of 368 pages, and is devoted entirely to class lists, photographs, college views and general undergraduate and alumni statistics. There are no grinds or original contributions save the decorative drawings, which are comparatively few. The book is a satisfactory record of the year's events at Michigan, including the achievements of the athletic teams, 'varsity debaters and other representatives in inter-collegiate competition, together with the usual membership

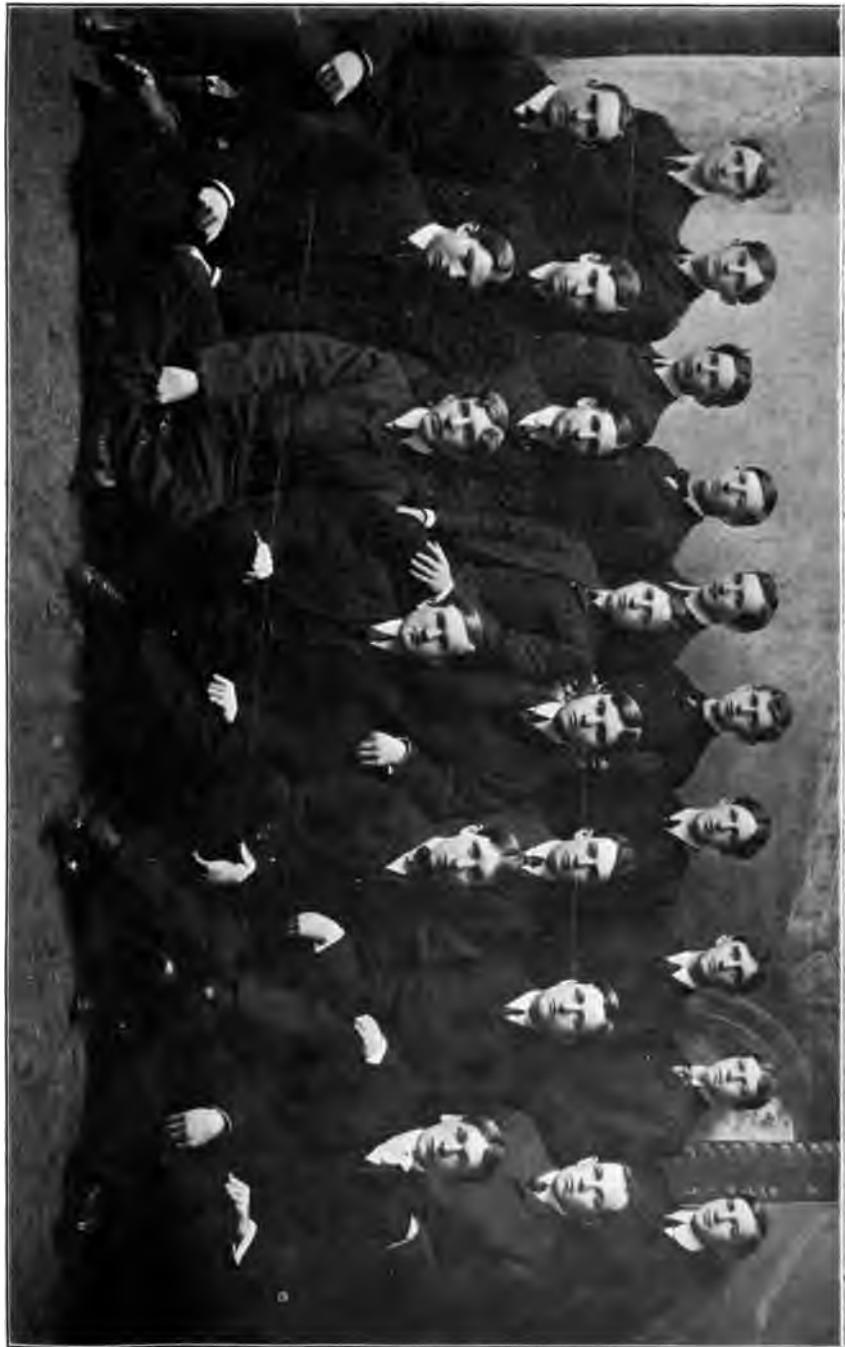
lists of all organizations of whatever character in the university. The list of the 821 members of 1903, with photograph and college record of each, would in itself make a fair-sized volume. This immense class was divided as follows: literary, men, 142, women, 142; engineering, 83; law, 243; medicine, 97; dentistry, 78; pharmacy, 21; homeopathy, 15. Varsity athletics are accorded the place of prominence after the senior lists, and seventy-five pages are devoted to accounts of the various teams and their brilliant records. To Coach Yost, whose handling of football at Michigan has resulted in such wonderful success for the teams and fame for himself, all praise is given; indeed his pedestal at Michigan seems a lofty and secure one, as the editors pay him the high compliment of dedicating the book 'To Yost.' That the football team is the pride of the university there can be no doubt. Every conceivable item concerning the team, the season, the games, the players, coaches, trainers, etc., is given and each football man is toasted and written up as a true hero. And each one undoubtedly is a hero in the eyes of the Michigan men. Class baseball and football seem to prosper mightily; twelve baseball teams and fourteen football teams furnish effective training schools for the 'varsity organizations. The devotees of cross country running have a large club; there is also a fencers' club of considerable size; basketball seems to be left to the women. The girls have a glee club of their own, but participate with the men in the dramatic organizations. An event of the college year, not as common in this country as might have been supposed, is the student celebration of Washington's birthday. A noteworthy feature of the book, unique in our observation, is the alumni department. A prefatory remark explains that by this attention it is hoped to intensify the interest of the alumni in the present doings of the university. Some interesting pictures are given, including the first two football teams, of '79 and '80, and a group of part of the class of '75. The main thing, however, is a list of photographs and four-line sketches of 600 and more alumni. This department will assuredly be of interest to Michigan graduates, although it would have been much better to have arranged the list in some order, so as to allow of ready reference. Mechanically the book is satisfactory; nevertheless one can hardly fail to regret that the conditions are such—and we presume they are—as to preclude the exercise of

talent; one feels that a legitimate opportunity for original effort has gone to waste. Michigan is one of the greatest of fraternity institutions; more fraternities have chapters there than at almost any other, and they occupy a more important and influential place in the college life. Many chapters own their houses, and the day is not distant when practically all will. The owned chapterhouses are shown with the chapter lists; this year's book will see $\Phi\Delta\Theta$'s house for the first time. Our chapter is otherwise growing in strength, and sustaining a creditable influence in Michigan affairs.

Le Melange is dedicated to an alumnus of Lafayette chapter, James Renwick Hogg, '78, who a year ago presented the college with Brainerd Hall, the Y. M. C. A. building. A picture of the new structure appeared in THE SCROLL at the time of its dedication, when Dr. John Balcom Shaw, D. D., '85, toastmaster of the New York convention, made the principal address. Last year Lafayette had 434 students, and her friends claim they maintain a high average of scholarship. Certainly on looking over this book with its many pictures and groups one gains a distinct respect for the personnel of the student corps. Judging from the faces seen in the *Melange*—and we feel sure these may safely be taken as representative—Lafayette attracts an unusually strong, virile and mature class of men. On the whole they are the best looking set of students that has come under the writer's observation. The facts, too, seem to bear out this impression, noting their activity and results in athletics and other student pursuits. College athletics come in for the lion's share of attention in the book. The constitution of the athletic association is printed in full, and is of interest to all readers. It puts absolute control in an alumni athletic committee of nine, elected by an association which comprises all undergraduates. The football team gets unstinted attention, an unusual feature being the line-up of both teams, officials, touch-downs and goals, etc., of each game of the season. The football record, giving every match played in twenty years—1882-1902—is highly interesting, tracing Lafayette's advance from a very weak showing against Princeton, Pennsylvania and Cornell in the early days to tie games and victories in later years. The fraternities are very much in evidence, about 50 per cent. of the students being fraternity men. $\Delta K E$ has the oldest chapter and is the first and only fraternity so far to have a

THE LAFAYETTE CHAPTER.

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chapterhouse, the house being now in course of erection on the campus. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, $\Theta\Delta X$, ΣN , ΣX and $\Psi A K$ occupy rooms and maintain eating clubs. The movement to own chapterhouses, started by the Dekes, has set in, and other fraternities may be expected soon to acquire permanent houses. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has a strong position at Lafayette. Represented on the board of trustees by three alumni—James R. Hogg, '78, Dr. McCluney Radcliffe, '82, and Carroll Ph. Bassett, '83—the chapter has the inspiration of a fine record. With twenty-four members, the chapter's representation in student enterprises is wide. Some of the honors gained were: three class officers, '03; vice-president, '04; vice-president, '06; president and another officer Round Table; manager and one committeeman Sock and Buskin; representatives on glee, banjo and mandolin clubs; associate editor *Melange*; associate editor *Touchstone*; president Y. M. C. A.; junior oratory prize; captain and manager of football team; second baseman baseball team.

The 1904 *Illio*, coming in an attractive cover of white and blue, has by way of introduction a highly interesting contribution from the pen of President Andrew S. Draper, to whom the book is dedicated. Under the title, 'A Leaf from a Lawyer's Note-Book,' Dr. Draper tells a story from life—names and dates only being changed—wherein he was led against first impulses by a chance appeal from within a state's prison to befriend a life convict, sentenced under a conviction for robbing the mails, and to secure his eventual release, resulting in his complete rehabilitation into honorable estate, and in Dr. Draper's eyes, at least, satisfactory establishment of his protested innocence of an unexplained crime. The story is an unusual one, and is a notable feature of the book. Illinois' 3,288 students, faculties aggregating 315, and free scholarships numbering 339, are subdivided into the three separate schools in Chicago—medicine, dentistry, pharmacy—and the university proper at Champaign, embracing all the other departments. Each of the four establishments has its own fabric of college life—class organizations, clubs, teams, fraternities, etc., the common interest being the administrative head. The *Illio* gives space to the three Chicago departments to the amount of seventy-five pages. Our interest naturally attaches to the life at Champaign. The University of Illinois is a wide-awake, aggressive institution, and its growth has been wonderful.

THE ILLINOIS CHAPTER.

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Enterprise and energy are written in every feature of university activity. In athletics the 'Illini,' as they proudly call themselves, have advanced to a strong position, and there is no sign of retrogression. The most interesting athletic event recorded is the famous Eastern trip of the Illinois baseball team, when the Western men vanquished Princeton, West Point, Yale and Pennsylvania, and met defeat only at the hands of Harvard by the narrow margin of 2 to 1. The entire West followed this team with sympathetic and enthusiastic interest, and the *Ilio* account of the trip, giving many hitherto unpublished details, justifies the general support given the team by Western college men. The military school occupies an uncommonly prominent position at Champaign. The cadet corps is so large it is organized into a regiment, with full field, staff and band, and comprising two battalions of infantry, of four companies each, and one battery of artillery. Such a school is of immense practical value to the state of Illinois, training up, as it does, men well fitted for schooling the state national guard, which now occupies, under the new army reorganization laws, a position of increased importance in the scheme of national defense. A commendable feature of the book is the recognition of original literary effort in the way of short stories, apart from the department of 'Roasts.' Along with the usual plethora of slaps of local import there is a clever one under the title, 'A Declaration of Independence,' signed by the sororities, laying down the law to callers at sorority houses, as to frequency, late hours, vocal offerings and other tendencies, for which the genus undergraduate is known everywhere. It is a good work the girls are doing. Precedence in the order of fraternity lists does not seem to be very highly valued. The first three are in proper chronological order: Δ T Δ, 1872; Σ X, 1881; K Σ, 1891; then, however, come Σ A E, 1899, and A T Ω, 1895, while Φ Δ Θ, 1894, is in sixth place, and Φ K Σ, 1892 (suspended in 1893 and revived in 1903), is put near the bottom of the list, preceding only K A Θ and Π B Φ, both 1895, and preceded by a host of later chapters. The fraternities are apparently divided in their interests, as evidenced by two social clubs, one comprising Δ T Δ, K Σ, Φ Δ Θ and Σ A E, and the other, A T Ω, B Θ Π, Σ X and Φ Γ Δ. Such combinations, though ostensibly for social ends only, rarely fail to have further influence. Φ Δ Θ's showing in college honors is good, to

wit: 2 varsity captains, 3 on football team, 2 on baseball team, 1 on track team; 3 class officers, 5 members musical organizations, 1 man on *Illio* board; 5 military officers, including the cadet colonel, and 3 officers in athletics.

The 1904 *Olio* is one of the best balanced, best edited and most thoroughgoing annuals that have reached us. It is also an excellent example of the art of the printer. In short, in every way it meets the test of what a college annual should be. The 383 students at Amherst get a great deal out of their college days, and the life there is the well-rounded life of the small college, in contradistinction to the large university, whose attendance runs into the thousands. All the undergraduate pursuits are highly developed and fostered, and the student activity in every direction is marked by energy and enterprise. The 1904 *Olio* is well dedicated to William Travers Jerome, '82, Δ Y, the well-known district attorney and figure in New York politics, who is designated a prophet. A short review of the changes a year had brought about in Amherst, under the title 'In and Around College' is a welcome deviation from the usual preface and prayer-for-indulgence-of-the-gentle-reader. The cohesion of the classes crops out in everything—here, too, illustrating an advantage of the small college with its rigid class system over the larger institutions with class lines obliterated by cross electives and multiplex courses. A most interesting fact developed by the *Olio* is the percentage of fraternity men at Amherst. Of 383 men in the four classes 322 belong to fraternities, being 84 per cent. of the whole. This membership is made up as follows: 66 of 71 seniors; 75 of 94 juniors; 89 of 111 sophomores; 92 of 107 freshmen. College dramatics are on a firm footing and are given particular attention. A list is published of the senior plays presented each year since 1881. During the spring of 1902 the senior play was presented sixteen times, going on a ten days' trip at Easter. Φ Δ Θ came in for a large share of honors during the year: 4 men to Φ B K, 3 from '03, one from '04; 2 commencement speakers; Latin prizes in '03, '04, '05; mathematical prize of \$200; prizes in debate, Biblical literature and entrance examinations—all aggregating \$480; members senior prom and sophomore hop committees; manager and two other members musical clubs and manager '04 dramatics; captain and sub pitcher baseball team, manager of tennis team and college representatives in doubles, man-

ager of basketball team, two men on track team, college gymnast, and winners inter-frat. baseball; member *Student* board, and one on staff *Monthly*; secretary '04 *Olio* board, and editor-in-chief '05 *Olio*.

THE NEW WABASH CHAPTERHOUSE.

Not a dollar raised on June 1, 1903; the chapter installed in its own house on January 1, 1904—such is the record of seven vigorous months in the career of Wabash chapter. It is a story such as one likes to tell in these days of things done quickly. It is a story of energetic hustling on the part of determined undergraduates; of enthusiastic response on the part of alumni. The active men furnished the steam—and lots of it—and their full proportion of goods; the alumni, won by the earnestness and strength of purpose of their younger brothers, furnished the remainder of the wherewithal. And so Wabash chapter in her fifty-fourth year comes into possession of a home of her own, beginning life anew, and beneath her own roof entering upon a new and fuller existence, which by virtue of an honorable and useful career she has long justly deserved.

An excellent description of the house is given in a circular letter issued to the chapter's alumni by the chapterhouse corporation:

'Few, if any, of those who received our circular letter during the summer months, dreamed at the time that a chapterhouse movement would ever materialize at Wabash College, but those who gave their support have long since learned of the success of the movement, and we now announce to all that the property on the corner of College and Walnut streets, known as the Goltra or Wasson Home, and which has been the dream of every enthusiastic fraternity man for twelve years back, is now in reality the home of Indiana Beta chapter. This property has been for sale for some time, and when the directors made an offer of \$7,000 for it, after some negotiation it was accepted. The property is an excellent bargain, and worth on the market at any time the price paid. There is not in the city of Crawfordsville a house so well adapted to the use of our chapter in every particular. Besides being but one block from the college campus, it is located in the best residence district of



THE NEW CHAPTERHOUSE OF INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

the city, and the property as it now stands represents an original investment of \$18,000.

The house is a large three-story structure and stands in the corner of a double lot, facing College street. The extra lot can be sold at any time for \$1,500 cash, leaving \$5,500 invested in a house and lot. According to the expense bills shown, the house was erected thirteen years ago at a cost of \$16,000. It now contains sixteen rooms with all modern improvements, and a large third story can be divided into additional living rooms with but little expense, so that the house could easily accommodate twenty men. The large rooms below are beautifully finished in quarter-sawed oak and cherry. A single mantel in the east parlor was put in at a cost of \$350.

'The capital stock of the chapterhouse association is \$10,000, divided into 400 shares of \$25 each. It is the plan of the corporation to have the subscriber sign a note for the amount of stock for which he subscribes; the note to be due and payable ten years from date, one-tenth payable annually, and for each \$25 paid on the principal of note the secretary of the association to forward to the subscriber a certificate for one share of stock. The active chapter started the house movement last spring by the sale of \$1,400 worth of stock among themselves; this fall, on their own motion, they have assumed the expense of furnishing the house.'

The chapter moved into the house the first week in January, with fourteen of the nineteen members living there. The men have their meals in the house as well as apartments, an excellent matron has been secured, and, as one enthusiastic member puts it—and they are all enthusiastic, no doubt—"Indiana Beta now has an ideal home."

Φ Γ Δ is the only other fraternity at Wabash possessing a house, having purchased one about a year ago.

THE FUNCTION OF UPPER CLASSMEN.

In the old days when Horace Mann and Adoniram Judson were burning midnight oil in University Hall, when the president's well on the front campus (how many students can point it out today?) still had a windlass at the top and water at the bottom, when the middle campus was a ball ground (such ball!) and Lincoln Field was a swamp with a winding brook—in other days at Brown, the relation

of the faculty to the students was distinctly paternal. 'My son,' was Francis Wayland's characteristic way of addressing a student. The members of the faculty were usually gray-haired men, chosen because of general dignity of character and carriage, to teach any subjects which a reputable gentleman of the old school might be supposed to know. They occupied, as Oliver Wendell Holmes used to say, 'not a chair, but a whole settee.'

Toward such men, the natural student attitude was that of profound reverence, mitigated by rebellion. Students were treated as children, and they proceeded to act the part assigned them. Their life was picturesque indeed, but freakish and juvenile. A network of small rules surrounded them—such as the direction when to remove their hats, how to pass through the door, and the exact fines to be paid for unmannerly complaints at the steward's table.

Now paternalism in college halls has vanished. The professor's little platform, 'six inches above contradiction,' can not be carried into laboratory or seminar. He sits, or rather stands, among his students, a mountain climber who has scaled certain heights and beckons his fellow traveler on. For better, for worse, the fraternal conception has come, and come to stay.

Who then shall look after the uncertain freshmen who, two hundred and more, flock to our campus each September? If the paterfamilias has passed, if the old rules are buried in dusty boxes in the library, who shall look after the scores of boys who come to Brown each autumn from our country towns, with small horizons, unformed ideals, and conscience still in the gristle? Who shall take in hand the new men who have always lived under the shadow of the university, and curiously imagine that to spend three hours a day in the classroom is really to go through college? Nobody?

The plain fact is that part of the functions once exercised by the faculty (in the days when James Manning was 'professor of the languages and other branches of learning') are now exercised, or should be, by the upper classmen. The men who have lived two or three years under these venerable elms have the right to assume, not airs of superiority and lordship, but a real responsibility for the atmosphere, the tone, the traditions of our campus life. Six months after graduation, a student may be a member of the

faculty or corporation, shaping the future of the university. Is he not entitled to do some shaping six months before the ribboned parchment?

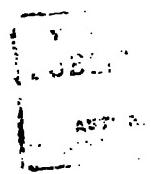
College customs established by mass meeting may look queer to alumni. Whether they are wise or not will depend on whether they really work in the interest of order or of anarchy. If they are established in order to be violated, they will speedily be abolished. But if they mean simply willing recognition that those who have been for years on our campus have the right and duty to advise new-comers, they mean the truth.

Upper classmen can preserve ancient traditions when they are good, and hand them down to their academic posterity. Upper classmen can stiffen the spinal column of many a wobbling freshman, and teach him the meaning of Kipling's

'Mind you keep your rifle and yourself jus' so.'

Many a senior or junior has taken an irresponsible newcomer as a roommate out of sheer brotherly kindness, and trained him till he could go alone. He has taken the boy who was tempted to think that a ten-cent magazine was literature and a ten-cent show is the drama, and made him feel that cheap and vulgar pabulum means a cheap and vulgar mind. Again and again some of our fraternities have steadied and coached their younger members and saved them from disaster, and a fraternity that does not habitually do this has no right to exist among us. An organization with no sense of responsibility is an organization for which the university declines to be responsible.

Upper classmen can give to the narrow man, whose horizon has been the village street, a wider outlook and a larger sympathy. It has been happily said of Abram S. Hewitt that he had a 'national mind.' No eastern man can have this unless he has associated with western men. The man who has never (mentally) lived outside of New England is essentially provincial, and his judgment on national issues unsound. There is no more striking provincialism than that of men who have lived all their lives on Manhattan Island, and whose ideas of Boston, Philadelphia, and Chicago are derived from the comic papers. The northern boy needs to meet the southerner—the son of the abolitionist needs to know the son of the Confederate general. Half the benefit of college life comes from being shaken up to



gether with men of various pedigrees, convictions, talents, and regions of the country.

If our intellectual life at Brown—in common with that of all colleges in this strenuous age—needs strengthening, the upper classmen are the men to do it. They can frown on dawdling and loafing. They can recognize the man of ideas as well as the man of affairs. They can brand the cheat as unfit for association with men of honor. They can leave political chicanery for pot-house politicians. . . .

My best critic (God bless her!) at this point peers over my shoulder, and pronounces this screed too long and decidedly too preachy for the *Liber*. Happily the editor-in-chief knows how to wield the shears, and all of us are practiced in the art of forgetting preachments. But I can not end without saying that some of the ideals here expressed have been admirably realized by the class with which I entered Brown and wish always to be enrolled—the class of 1903.

In other days at Brown—reversing now the telescope—men yet unborn will pass through the Van Wickle gates and sit in the iron chairs of old University Hall. A new library will house our crowded books, a noble chapel grace our campus, new biological and chemical laboratories rise in stately lines, and Manning street be lined with university buildings. But Brown will be judged then, as now, not by swimming-pools and clock towers, but by the conservative temper, the high ideals, and the power of leadership of its older students.—President W. H. P. Faunce of Brown University in *Liber Brunensis*.

ALPHA PROVINCE CONVENTION.

Syracuse chapter entertained Alpha province convention November 24-27, and it was a notable success. The Syracuse *Daily Orange* of November 30 gives an excellent account of the convention, saying:

'One of the most successful and enthusiastic province conventions of Phi Delta Theta was brought to a close last Thursday night by a grand banquet at the Yates.

'On Wednesday evening a very enjoyable ball was given at the Empire Hall in honor of the visiting delegates. The hall was decorated for the occasion with fraternity emblems and the flags of the various colleges in the province. The

stage was banked with palms, back of which the full university orchestra furnished the music for the dancers. A new feature of college dances, a buffet lunch, was served on the lower floor. Among the guests of the ball was Dr. John Edwin Brown, of Columbus, Ohio, the grand president of the fraternity.

Thursday afternoon the delegates and a number of the friends of the local chapter among the fair sex occupied the first three rows at the Wieting Opera House at the matinee performance of "The Silver Slipper."

About eighty delegates and members of the fraternity were in attendance at the banquet on Thursday evening. The banquet tables were set in the form of a Greek epsilon in honor of the Syracuse chapter, and the men on the toast list faced the other members. A carnation, the fraternity flower, was placed at every plate. The flags of the various colleges were hung about the banquet hall intertwined with the fraternity emblem. The dinner cards were unique, the front page showing a college student arrayed in cap and gown, holding up a number of college flags with his left hand and the fraternity shield with the other. Upon the shield was printed "Alpha Province of Phi Delta Theta Convention," and date. Just above the shield was an engraving of Crouse College, which, when lifted up, showed a steaming turkey on a plate. The inside pages of the card were devoted to the menu and toast list, and an engraving of the university oval was placed on the back.

Dr. John Balcolm Shaw, *Lafayette*, '85, of New York city, was toastmaster, and called for the following responses: "Brotherhood in the Bond," J. Robert Rubin, *Syracuse*, '04; "With Brains, Sir," Hon. Julius Marshall Mayer, *Columbia*, '86; "Our Government," Dr. John Edwin Brown, President General Council, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '84; "The Ideal Fraternity," T. M. Phetteplace, president Alpha province East, *Brown*, '99; "Tribute to Robert Morrison," Francis B. Cullen, *Union*, '97; "Alumni Spirit," B. M. L. Ernst, president Alpha province West, *Columbia*, '99; "Across the Duty Line," A. C. Sellery, *McGill*, '04. Arthur M. McCrillis, *Brown*, '97, Historian of the General Council, was also down for a toast but was unable to attend.

Headquarters of the convention were at the Yates Hotel, where the business sessions were held. It is understood that a number of important matters of fraternity policy were

passed upon. Resolutions passed and made public included thanks to the University and Citizens' Clubs for courtesies extended, and to the local chapter and alumni for kind attentions during the week.'

'Attorney Raymond L. Skinner was chairman of the local committee, the other members being Dr. A. E. Larkin, Dr. J. A. Matthews, G. G. Merry, J. A. Distin and J. T. Lane.'

'The following is a list of delegates present: G. D. Coy, Colby; C. K. Woodbridge, Dartmouth; H. E. Cunningham, Vermont; A. P. Newell, Williams; V. S. Clark, Amherst; E. S. McIntyre, Brown; E. J. Snow, Cornell; W. H. Guardenier, Union; Thos. Miller, Columbia; J. M. Cooper, Lafayette; G. S. Eppler, Gettysburg; M. G. Baker, Dickinson; H. G. Bonner, Lehigh; C. E. Goodin, University of Pennsylvania; E. M. McElroy, Washington and Jefferson; A. C. Sellery, McGill; J. R. Rubin, Syracuse.'

'Allegheny was the only chapter not represented. There were also about twenty other visitors to the convention from out of town. The next convention will be held at Burlington, Vt., with the University of Vermont chapter, during Thanksgiving week, 1905.'

A WELL-KNOWN PHI AND HIS FIRST BOOK.

Steady convention-goers know Wardon Curtis well, and readers of THE SCROLL also are familiar with his name, which, although it does not appear very frequently, is always beneath a notable contribution. There are men of other fraternities who have reason to know him, too, for he is a jealous guardian of the name and interests of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, and of Wisconsin Alpha, whence he was graduated in 1889. A dabbler in things literary since undergraduate days, Bro. Curtis has latterly devoted himself wholly to literary pursuits, contributing articles on a wide range of subjects, including short pieces of fiction, humor, et cetera, to numerous magazines and periodicals. The appearance of his first book, which issued from the press in October, marks a turning-point in his career, from which his friends, ourselves included, predict will come wider recognition of his talents and large encouragement to further effort.

In 'The Strange Adventures of Mr. Middleton,' published by Messrs. Herbert S. Stone and Company of Chi-

cago, Bro. Curtis has produced an absorbing tale, weaving a clever admixture of things bizarre and things familiar.



WARDON ALLAN CURTIS,
Wisconsin, '89.

The thread of interest connecting the various stories which make up the book revolves around the chance acquaintance in Chicago of Mr. Middleton, a briefless and penniless young barrister, with the hereditary emir of the Arabian tribe of Al-Yam, who had come to the great city in search of adventure. The tales are striking inventions in the line of story-telling, and are written in a quick, engaging style. The book has a fresh, original touch, and takes strong hold on

the interest. It seems to have caught on with the critics; the New York *Times* gave it a whole column, saying, 'It is likely to prove one of the most popular books of the season'; the *Examiner* called it 'a literary masterpiece'; the *Reader*, 'a triumph of the bizarre and incongruous,' 'distinctly an achievement'; the Chicago *Tribune*, 'whoever begins this book will send away his meals and sit up all night to finish it'; and others equally flattering.

THE INFLUENCES OF THE COLLEGE FRATERNITY.

On a day of January a group of young men at Stanford University laid their coats upon the grass or on the broad veranda of their club-house, and began a game of catch with a baseball. A carriage drove by, with one passenger, evidently a stranger, enjoying a view of the university grounds, and believing all that the driver told him. The visitor was unmistakably an Englishman. He halted his

carriage and with a genial brown-whiskered smile and broad accent hailed the student nearest him, begged a thousand pardons, and asked to be shown the ball.

Every American newsboy knows that every American baseball is covered by two equal pieces of hide, shaped like a figure eight. This little design was a marvel of amusement to the frank-eyed, hearty Britisher. Out came his note-book. The college men surrounded him, and took notes of their own, but not in a book. The tourist was a novelty to them as the ball had been to him. It was lunch time. The driver was paid and sent away, while the tourist was carried, bewildered, up the steps, through the open doors of the house and led to a chair at the head of a long dining-table. Twenty-one college boys sang, while deft Chinese came and went with the courses of luncheon.

The visitor proved himself a good fellow. On demand, he said something of India and of Australia, which he had seen, but the best that he said was of America, which he was beginning to see. He boasted the oaks of Sherwood forest until the twenty-one assured him that they could all sleep within one fragrant trunk of the sequoia.

The topic turned to college clubs, for the traveler was politely curious. His note-book could have been twice filled that afternoon. His questions were eager, often innocent and amusing; and the answers were enthusiastic. He tried to interpret many things in terms of Oxford and Cambridge, Eton and Rugby—but he had stumbled upon a new species.

In coming to a chapterhouse of an American college fraternity, he had found a social institution peculiarly American.

There are today as many as twenty-five regular national or inter-collegiate fraternities, established, roughly speaking, between the years 1820 and 1870. Each is named by two or by three Greek letters. Each is made up of local clubs in various colleges, some having more than sixty branches, while the average number is about thirty. More than one hundred and sixty thousand college men have owed their allegiance to one or another of the Greek letter societies. This represents only a fraction of the total number of men who have attended college; perhaps we may name thirty per cent. as a typical proportion in a college of

today. Exactly what it means to be of this minority will always interest college students and students of colleges.

The chapter, or unit, of the national fraternity is generally a club of about twenty men, who club together for social purposes, seeking mutual encouragement and strength of numbers. Where the dormitory system is strongly entrenched the system of fraternity homes is not found fully developed, but the prevailing tendency of fraternities everywhere is toward the chapter home—a house where its members eat, sleep, study, play and entertain.

The social unit is founded on an economic principle. Twenty men can obtain more for their money by spending it together; therefore can be more to their taste.

The amount which men might pay individually for rent, or for furniture to be cast aside, will in time pay for permanent lodgings, well-fitted, for rugs, lounges, portraits, pianos and shower baths.

The freshman coming to college finds a dozen groups of men living there in homes of their own; jolly, energetic, self-respecting and mutually encouraging—a sort of self-constituted aristocracy. The freshman will be sought by the societies who consider him 'good material.' No more definite phrase can be used. The popular notion is that good looks, a good family, or athletic promise will win for a freshman his desired 'bid.' The best fraternities judge a man aside from his superficial qualities. Where money, or muscle, or clothes or cleverness alone are weighed, the result will be poor, for any artificial standard brings degeneracy. In general it is true that men can find the sort of companions they seek. There is a possibility of error during the period of rushing. This is a time of courtship. It can be made a time of senile flattery and fondling upon one side, and of truckling and deceit upon the other; or it may be made a period of manly and straightforward good-fellowship by men who wish to become honestly acquainted, to be known for what they are, to choose natural friends and to be naturally chosen. The excitement and rivalry of the rushing season tend to artificial friendships. The successful fraternity will make its courtship always natural, based on real friendship. You cannot make a real brother of a man by coming behind him unexpectedly, slapping him on the back and telling him he is elected; nor by initiating children from the kindergarten. The fraternity

which conforms its bidding to the growth of natural affection and congeniality will always find ideal friendship. Otherwise the 'frat' is a social tyrant, bestowing favors capriciously.

His initiation is an event in the freshman's life. This ceremony is a matter of some mystery and seriousness. It may include a week of penance, with a bit of physical discipline where this is needed. The ceremony itself is made memorable. The freshman learns what the fraternity means and what it expects of him. A man will be impressed by that which he hears when he is initiated, and most fraternities tell him the right sort of thing.

Life in a home with congenial, enthusiastic fellow-students, is an inspiration. It should stand in a trinity with the home from which the student has come, and the home which he will some day find. Yet it has a peculiar charm of its own. He is with equals, with rivals and comrades of his own choosing. His twenty chums are not all of a pattern; they have much in common, but they may include extremes of personality. Only notes of different pitch can make a chord. Congeniality and not similarity is the standard which determines his companions. This can produce the highest social development.

The chapter will have a double influence on the college man. It works for conformity, but not at any loss of individuality. The freshman will find that he has entered a crowd which means to train him. He will receive much advice; but he will absorb more unconsciously. He will imitate his fellows, because he admires them. He will conform in speech, in dress, in habits. A freshman in college can be spotted in a dozen ways. It is the fraternity freshman who first loses this 'verdancy.' Few influences excel that of the fraternity house in training and in development of character, for good or for bad. The greatest power is natural toward those things which are best in the world. Self-conceit cannot be whipped from a man, nor can he be argued out of it; but it can be dissolved by the slow force of fraternity life. Hypocrisy is hated by healthy young fellows. A selfish man, a crabbed, morose chap, or a spoiled pet, will find no indulgence in the chapterhouse. They will be frankly analyzed and criticized. The 'star' freshman who fancies himself perfect after the rushing season soon awakens to the fact that he has much to learn, and comes

heartily to wish for improvement. Very little of the so-called 'hazing' is necessary to accomplish this result. Moral force is the weapon; though it depends for effectiveness on a muscular delegation of sophomores.

Freshmen well disciplined will forever through college realize the need of cohesion and control; they will be most capable of guiding the future classes. A chapter is never as weak as its weakest member. The men support each other by his strongest quality. A chapter can assimilate and develop men who are deficient in one point or another. A Carlyle could be endured for the sake of his literary work. The non-grammar of Jones is coaxed out of him while he teaches the others to box.

The influence of the chapter is not merely negative and repressive. There is a profound stimulus, a pressure forward. Every man encourages the next man's talent. The entire chapter will work and hope steadily for each member's success; whether he be football player, musician, chemist, or journalist. Every freshman is ordered to come out for something, be it Phi Beta Kappa, the hurdles, or the mandolin club.

'Lambda Nu is everything, and every Lambda Nu is something,' is the sort of motto that a good chapter is apt to have.

At no place can discussions be more frank, sincere and well meant than in a chapterhouse talk. Men may come from opposite sides of the continent, men differing in experience, in political, social, religious views. College alone might not reconcile such elements. The largest colleges of America have as many circles, creeds and antagonistic units as the world itself. But when these elements occur in a small coterie founded on friendship and equality, and blend as they can blend in a good chapterhouse, the result is broadening, and uplifting to every individual. One knows something of the Southern planter from living with his son three years, something of the boy from the West and the young Vermonter that can never be learned in casual meeting for study, business or society.

Chapter life means years of family life and of business partnership at the same time. The fraternity man acquires executive power. As a freshman he learns to obey, as an upper classman to command. He learns the wqrk of committees, and he may in turn serve as a treasurer, steward

and president. He has learned to estimate a man in a glance, he can force, persuade, threaten, conciliate.

Perhaps the most noticeable influence of the average chapter upon its members is the social stimulus which they receive. The fraternities are expected naturally to take a lead in the social affairs of the college community. Admittance to a fraternity means that a known organization has stamped its approval upon a man. It follows that the boy who never spoke ten consecutive words to a young lady is corralled by his mates, encased in evening dress and carted off to his first reception, perhaps to make the hit of his life. The sporty chap who has been 'in society' since kindergarten is told in just how many ways college differs from high school. If necessary his social strides are checked by his watchful frat-brothers. The trend of fraternity influence is to make him dignified and considerate. His conversation must be as sane as is consistent with reception chat. He is meeting the sisters and the aunts of his brothers. It is not inconceivable that one's brother in college may become one's brother-in-law.

In general the most fortunate chapter is that which has asked the mother of one of its members to occupy a room in the house and sit at the dinner table. The chapter mother is most appreciated in a coeducational college community. In this position lurk infinite possibilities for success or for failure. A matron with nerves or whims could become an ogre to a houseful of fellows, and make herself supremely miserable. But a wise choice is generally made, and then a lady of tact and dignity wins her way surely to the hearts of all her adopted 'boys,' and her power to influence their lives is greater than that of any number of speaking reformers. Her hands find flowers for the table and curtains for a bare window. She can direct the servants as to the details which a man could never notice. Her advice will not come unasked, but it will be sought and loved. Many a man comes to college without having had a home of refinement. He may find it in his fraternity.

But it is what the men do for each other that makes the basis of fraternity influence. Self-sacrifice and loyalty for the common cause is a lesson which must be learned if one is a good fraternity man. The attitude thus developed will be carried out toward college and toward the world.

There is good and evil in fraternity life as in all else.

The system itself is neither inherently perfect, nor inherently pernicious. A chapter may drift from its standard of work, and become a crowd of sports and loafers. The charge has been made that chapter life encourages this; but that is no more true than that trade encourages cheating.

In a poor chapter, men will send freshmen to class to take notes; they will devote themselves to a good time at the cost of work. That is not fraternity, but degeneracy. A young instructor who is loyal to his chapter will be especially severe, rather than lenient, with his young frat brothers.

It has been charged that the fraternities are a pernicious monopoly of social affairs. Any combination may grow beyond its legitimate field, and become a trust. But a fraternity which has forgotten its 'noblesse oblige' is not our best type. At many a college there is feud between fraternity and 'barbarian' elements. Much of this hostility is unreasoning. Many a freshman who hears a classmate revile the 'conceited frats' lives to see that man crown his senior year by joining or forming a new crowd, struggling for recognition. One great American university today excludes the Greek-letter fraternities; yet Princeton is not without her societies, her dining clubs, her coveted distinctions, and her 'hat-band' cliques and problems. The proposal of authorities at Toronto to lease land for chapter-house building has been opposed by Canadian writers who contend that only public meeting places should be allowed. This opposition rests on a fallacy. Any one may found a society to his liking. The chapter is only one sort of natural organization. It can do things for men that larger unwieldy groups cannot accomplish.

It has been claimed that fraternity life makes a disunited college. Cornell, with twenty-one chapters, is a living refutation. A mass will not be less coherent because its atoms are grouped in molecules. The best chapters realize that they are a part of their college, and not apart from it. Through the chapters a faculty can control the student body, for no student willingly dishonors his fraternity.

Hostility to fraternities is directed chiefly against the secrecy which surrounds most of them. Nearly all have a secret grip, motto, ritual and passwords. Some keep their publications secret. This feature of mystery has a certain charm. A degree of business privacy is any man's right,

and the language of lovers is said to be sweeter because of a little nonsense known only to two. The feature of secrecy has at times been carried far beyond this point; it is evil when it results in Mafia pledges and a blind struggle for undeserved honors. Secrecy for the sake of a secret has today been left largely to sophomore clubs or preparatory school 'frats.' Most fraternity men prefer the name fraternity to that of secret society.

One may ask, is there need of a national bond between these college homes? It is the national order which works for stability and a set purpose. New branches will be founded resembling the old. By annual conventions delegates meet from many colleges, and the result is eminently democratic and broadening. In alumni catalogues and magazines one reads the record of those who preceded him, successful today, prominent perhaps in public life. By an exchange of visits with neighboring chapters the fraternity man sees that men of other colleges are likewise human. He has a ready introduction through his pin. He need never feel an offishness, a hostility toward the college that rivals his own.

This feeling of kinship is not limited to his own fraternity. To all Greeks he is a marked man. Petty jealousy remembered with a laugh and a handshake. The common sympathy of 'all Greeks' is proved in daily life, in travel, in every college review. It is shown in the act of the Alpha Tau Omega Society, which has invited men of any fraternity to describe their common experience.

As this paragraph is written, the writer looks from the summit of a peak in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. A trail, blazed by many a traveler, marks and makes easy an ascent through forest and snow. College life is a climb. A freshman may find rocks, ravines and underbrush. He may waste steps alone. Fraternity life is a blazed trail, leading him to one peak or to another. Men who preceded him have chosen their path; indicated their standard, provided help along the way. Moreover, a congenial number follows with him. Whatever destination they seek will be reached more surely, more pleasantly. The fraternity hastens evolutions, for good or for bad. It makes work and culture easier, or it can make dissipation and decay more rapid. An institution with such power should be nurtured. Its capacity for good should be developed. The chapter-

house at college should be studied as well as Hull House of the slums. It is a permanent and efficient factor in college life, which cannot be supplied by the haphazard of the dormitory and lunch-counter.

The college fraternity is American. It tends to produce an aristocratic socialist. A man can learn through fraternity life the equality of equals, and the welfare of the majority as well as the value of an energetic and favored minority.—*Alpha Tau Omega Palm*.

The author of the above essay is Fletcher Bernard Wagner, Δ Y, a Stanford man, class of '02, now in Harvard law school. The essay was offered in competition for a \$50 prize given by the New York Alumni Association of A T Ω for the best essay on 'The Influences of the College Fraternity,' and won the prize.

EDITORIAL.

AN interesting viewpoint from which to contemplate Phi Delta Theta as an entity is found in the map made by FRANKLIN SWEET, *Wisconsin, '93*, which it is our privilege to present in this number of THE SCROLL. The geographical limits of the fraternity are coincident with the boundaries of the United States, save in the North, where we have crossed the border and set foot in Canada. We have chapters on the Atlantic, and chapters on the Pacific; on the Gulf, and on the Great Lakes; in the sunny South and in the vigorous North; in the populous East and in the great and growing West, and in the busy region in between, East or West, as you please. Truly are our responsibilities great, when we gather within our fold representatives from every section of this broad country. And considering their diverse constituency there is a wonderful similarity among our chapters; in fact, the homogeneity of the fraternity, long remarked by our experienced observers, is recognized as one of our cardinal virtues. Thus to bind together by additional ties groups of college-bred men in every section of our common country, far and near, is another end achieved, which is indeed worth while; which marks the influence of Phi Delta Theta as patriotism of a lofty kind.

WE extend congratulations to our chapter at Randolph-Macon upon taking a chapterhouse, the first of our Virginia chapters to do so. Randolph-Macon is a small college, and our chapter there has sometimes been beset with the difficulties of limited membership. It has, however, given a noteworthy demonstration of how full an existence a small chapter could achieve, and especially in the last few years has given a good account of itself. The house which has been rented by the chapter provides room for eight to ten

men, which is ample for the chapter's average membership. This is a notable achievement for Virginia Gamma, and speaks more strongly than any other testimony of its career of usefulness. The addition of Randolph-Macon to the list, makes the number of our housed chapters forty-seven, of which twenty are owned by the chapters. This leaves only twenty-one chapters without houses of any kind. Surely our homeless brothers are stirred to renewed efforts by this latest display of pluck and enterprise.

ALPHA province had a rousing convention with Syracuse chapter during Thanksgiving week, of which a detailed account will be found elsewhere in this number. All chapters were represented save Allegheny, and a large number of visitors were present, including the president of the General Council. From the newspaper accounts and others which have reached us, the Syracuse brothers provided a high order of entertainment, and made the convention a swinging success. We commend to the attention of all our provinces this excellent example. Province conventions are distinctly different affairs from national conventions. They make strongly for the upbuilding of inter-chapter relations; more men of more chapters get to know each other well, and by meeting around with each chapter, all chapters get better known, and mutual helpfulness gets a better chance to operate. Brotherhood in the Bond of Phi Delta Theta is an intimate relation, and all things that work for a better understanding of the problems besetting our fellow-members tend to the better realization of our fraternity's aims.

AN interesting letter which we publish from a Phi Delta Theta now attending the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, telling of the ten members of the fraternity now cadets there, suggests the thought that under present conditions, so far as we know, young men of this country who

elect the army or navy as a life work, and go to West Point or Annapolis without first attending some collegiate institution, must forego the privilege of membership in college fraternities. In behalf of such young men, devoting their lives to our country's cause, we cannot but regret that this is so. While the strict class lines which are a predominant characteristic of each of these institutions have always been considered to preclude the idea of a fraternity chapter as operated in our colleges, we observe that in many of our colleges where fraternities lead a highly successful existence class lines are drawn with marked severity, though in none perhaps to the degree practiced in the national academies; and we observe further, that a man's association with his classmates, numbering a hundred or more, can never be on the intimate basis on which a fraternity man knows the members of his own chapter. And then there is the association with one's fraternity mates after college, the lack of which is a distinct loss. Army and navy regulations are strict, and great the power of tradition; we doubt not that a proposition to install a chapter at West Point or Annapolis would meet with rigid opposition. Nevertheless, we repeat, we regret that our fellows entering the army and navy are not to know what it is to be fraternity men.

WE wonder if a majority of upper classmen realize the responsibilities of being upper classmen. We fear that some of them do not. President W. H. P. FAUNCE of Brown, in the Brown annual, *Liber Brunensis*, calls attention in a telling way to the part played in these days by the upper classmen. We reprint the article with pleasure. It contains much food for thought, and we could wish that every upper classman in every chapter would take what is there said home to himself, and see how he measures up to the requirements. We have known upper classmen who have, and we have known others who have not. The organization of our colleges today tends to put more and more of

the control of the students into the hands of the students themselves, and it naturally devolves upon the older and more experienced among them to take the lead, and to be looked up to by the young and inexperienced. To be thus made a man of before graduation is a mark of confidence—indeed, a compliment—to which no thinking student can fail to respond. This fact of undergraduate self-control is one of the healthiest features of the development of American college life.

THIS is the era of prizes—prize essays, prize stories, prize everything. Competition is the life not alone of trade; we compete for football and debating teams, editorial boards and class honors, civil place and political preferment. Inevitably, therefore, amid the plethora of prizes, prize-winners fail to impress from the mere fact. On the other hand the shadow of a prize need not obscure real merit. In this number of *THE SCROLL* therefore we make bold to reproduce a prize essay, on 'The Influence of the College Fraternity.' This essay took a prize offered by the New York alumni association of Alpha Tau Omega, and was written by a member of Delta Upsilon, Stanford chapter, class of 1902. We do not take space to reproduce it because we feel any need of defending the college fraternity; we give it place in our valued columns because we want to put into the hands of all our chapters so excellent an exposition of what a chapter ought to be. While it is barely possible in some quarter or other we may be thought a doting editor, yet we have not reached the happy stage of believing that all our chapters are all they ought to be. Human frailty will exhibit itself in chapters as elsewhere, and we may always hope to accomplish a certain amount of good by preaching in an agreeable way. We know of no better method in this matter than to point out, as the essayist has done, all the ways in which some chapters are making themselves useful; are realizing the opportunities peculiar to the fraternity

chapter. We commend the article to the earnest consideration of all our chapters.

WE shall hope to see the day when the efficiency of our alumni clubs will be increased. We have no plan in mind at present to suggest, but are living in the hope that as our roll of alumni clubs increases—formidable now at fifty-three—and as the clubs themselves lead a more and more active existence, which is the case in some quarters at least, there will be a plan evolved for making these organizations a more integral part of the fraternity. Phi Delta Theta is a brotherhood of college men, not of undergraduates alone, and members do not become ex-members upon graduation. On the contrary, many graduates of our acquaintance, some of them from away back, cling as jealously to their membership as undergraduates themselves. We graduates say that we *are* members of Phi Delta Theta; not *were* members; we enjoy association with our brothers in the Bond, and desire to perpetuate it. In our view the present scheme of alumni clubs fails to give proper recognition to the alumni interest, and in so far falls short of the needs of the situation.

IN a recent number the *Beta Theta Pi* says editorially:

A bit of gossip is being printed in the fraternity journals to the effect that B Θ Π and Φ Δ Θ are in a sort of a race, to see which can excel in the number of members and chapters; and a gaping world is invited to witness the contest. We believe we speak for both fraternities in stating that nothing of the kind is taking place. It happens that each fraternity has about the same number of chapters and their numerical strength does not differ much. Each fraternity has rejected enough petitions for new chapters during the past ten years to outdistance its rival in the mere matter of numbers, and had there been any such feeling it would have found an expression in such extension. The fact is, however, that each fraternity has been unusually slow and cautious and has issued charters only after much pressure and persuasion.

The editor of the *Beta Theta Pi* is correct about this, of

course. The fact that we have fewer chapters than we had ten years ago would indicate that we were running a very poor race, if, in truth, we were racing with Beta Theta Pi or any other fraternity in the establishment of chapters. Beta Theta Pi has only two more chapters now than in 1893; this also seems to be a pretty low rate of speed, when it comes to racing.

L'ENVOI. With this number of *THE SCROLL* the present editor bids farewell to his post. After one short and arduous, but pleasant year of service in the editorial chair he finds he must forego its agreeable duties and give place to a successor. The demands of this work-a-day world are pressing and multifarious; one may turn a deaf ear for a time, but sooner or later he must give heed. So it is with the editor. A year ago we took up the labors of the editorship with zest and enthusiasm, anticipating a more intimate acquaintance with our chapters and colleges, and hoping to be able to forward the cherished cause of Phi Delta Theta in a manner in some degree creditable, recognizing the attractive opportunities for good work in the cause offered by the post of editor. We know we have succeeded in one direction; we have certainly gained a largely increased acquaintance with American collegiate institutions and the chapters of Phi Delta Theta therein. If our hopes in the other direction have even in slight degree been realized, we shall feel happily compensated for our labors, and more nearly deserving of the tie which binds us to our brothers in the Bond. It is with keen regret we resign our present labors, particularly before the end of the term for which we were elected; yet we feel that in justice to *THE SCROLL* and to ourselves, our retirement is the part of wisdom. It would be ungrateful indeed to say farewell without some word of thanks to the many brothers who have given us their kind support and assistance. To WALTER B. PALMER in particular we render marked appreciation; his untiring

zeal and wonderful resourcefulness are the marvel of his associates, and his labors for this journal, though unofficial and entirely gratuitous, are such alone as to make him a shining light in the service of Phi Delta Theta.

IT gives us pleasure and gratification to be able to announce that our successor is to be no less distinguished a Phi Delta Theta than JOHN H. DEWITT, *Vanderbilt*, '94. We have no need of introducing Brother DEWITT to the fraternity. His service on the general council for two terms, in the arduous and important office of treasurer, following a preparatory term as province president, has acquainted the whole fraternity with his worth, and made him a well-known figure in Phi Delta Theta affairs. THE SCROLL also has frequently known his facile pen. Brother DEWITT may be described as a conservative enthusiast for Phi Delta Theta. He is thoroughly in sympathy with the present administration of the fraternity's affairs, and his appointment as editor will work for steady and harmonious advancement of the cause. A clear thinker, a tireless worker, and possessor of the highest ideals of fraternity usefulness, Brother DEWITT's acceptance of the editorship gives the fraternity cause for sincere self-congratulation. Another announcement it gives us very great pleasure to make is that Brother WALTER B. PALMER has consented to serve as assistant editor. The import of this announcement will be appreciated by every one who knows anything at all about Phi Delta Theta; but especially will it be by those who have served the fraternity in official capacity, and been thus associated with Brother PALMER. His wondrous activity in fraternity work has endeared him to all who have known him, and we could have wished our succeeding Brother Editor DeWitt no better good fortune than to have WALTER B. PALMER as associate in his new labors.

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

QUEBEC ALPHA, M'GILL UNIVERSITY.

As intimated in our last letter, our goat has been quite busy of late. The following signed the Bond during the fall term and are now introduced to their brothers for the first time: William Horace Wood, medical, '04; Ernest Evelyn Sinclair, medical, '05; John Alexander McDonald, medical '05; Melville Louis Hibbard, science, '06; Alphonso Lester Sharp, science, '06; Stanley John Crocker, arts, '06; George Elliott Housser, arts, '06.

Before this is read the following, of '07, will also have been duly initiated: Alexander Harold Taylor, arts; Ernest Hastings Jordan, science; Charles Wales Drysdale, arts.

This brings our chapter strength up to twenty-one, of whom twelve live in the house, and fifteen gather around the table.

A rehearsal of our sports' record is not a very brilliant one as regards victories for our teams, although none of these were weak. In football we managed to defeat Queen's twice, but we went down before our other rival, Toronto, whose team did not lose an inter-collegiate game. Thus we had to relinquish possession of the cup after only one year's tenure. In the intermediate series Queen's defeated McGill in the finals, and so this championship was also lost, although in both senior and intermediate series it was the last game which decided matters. In the intercollegiate sports Toronto competed against McGill at Montreal, and although we have held this cup for the past four years Toronto scored a surprise and a victory by a goodly margin of points.

In the elections to the various offices this year, besides those previously reported, the following brothers have been honored: Likely, football captain '05; McDonald, secretary-treasurer junior year; Landry, medical dinner committee; Hibbard, hockey captain, science, '06; Crocker, vice-president arts, '06, president of sophomore year, class pin committee; Housser, class pin committee. Besides these Bro. Bell, '06, brought honor to himself by winning the Scott Exhibition of \$50, the only one offered to second year Science.

This year we have been more in touch with other chapters than ever before, and this contact has helped us. Bro. Sellery, '04, was our delegate to Alpha province convention, and he speaks loudly in praise of the Syracuse brothers as entertainers, to say nothing of the success of the convention as such. Besides, some of our brothers have been royally entertained at the initiation banquets of sister chapters. Bro. Drysdale, '04, attending that at Dartmouth November 30, and Bros. Crowell, '04, and Hibbard, '06, that at Vermont December 4. All report excellent times and bring back glowing and stimulating accounts of these chapters. We have enjoyed the visits of several Phis, Bro. Dr. John B. Shaw, toastmaster at the New

York convention banquet, taking dinner with us on October 7, while Bro. Russel, *Purdue*, '03, has been spending some time in the city and has paid us several visits. We shall always be very glad to have other Phis call on us, and perhaps we can initiate them into some of the pleasures of a Canadian winter.

Montreal, January 9, 1904.

LYMAN C. LAUCHLAND.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

The first term of the year is well under way at Colby. The term will close December 12, a week earlier than usual, in order that the Grangers, who meet in the city at that time, may occupy the rooms in the men's dormitories. This favor was granted in return for the kindness and services of the Waterville Board of Trade at the time of the burning of North College last December.

The football season is over, and a successful one it has been for Colby. In the Maine games she proved herself especially strong, winning from Bowdoin by a score of 11-0; from Bates, 10-0; and losing to Maine, 5-6. And yet it was admitted at the time of this latter game that Colby outplayed her opponents. Thus it is set down as a 'luck' game for Maine, who hold the state championship, Colby securing second place. Basketball practice has begun with prospects of a good team.

Our annual initiation banquet was held at Hotel Gerald, Thursday evening, October 29. The initiates, ten in number, are as follows: Chester A. Grant, Freedom, Me.; Eben E. Masterman, Wilton, Me.; Wiley O. Newman, North Sullivan, Me.; Oscar B. Peterson, Jemtland, Me.; Fred M. Pile, Wayne, Neb.; Frederick A. Shepherd, Rockland, Me.; Perley L. Thorne, Strickland, Me.; Elihu B. Tilton, Winslow, Me.; Byron A. Wright, Danville, Vt., and Ralph B. Young, Waterville, Me., all of '07. Of our alumni Bros. H. C. Prince, '88; N. K. Fuller, '98; W. W. Drew, '02; R. A. Kane, ex-'02; H. E. Pratt, '02, and C. W. Atchley, '03, were present at the banquet, and added much to the enjoyment of the occasion.

Several honors have already been won by Phis. Bro. Frye, '05, is assistant business manager of the *Echo*, our weekly publication, and Bro. Chipman, '06, is an associate editor. Two new books by Bro. Chipman, 'Two Boys and a Dog' and 'Through an Unknown Isle', were recently issued by the Saalfield Publishing Company, Akron, Ohio. Bro. Hoyt, '05, is an associate editor of the *Oracle*, our annual publication. Bro. Shepherd, '07, is president of his class. We were represented on the football team by Bros. Cotton, '05; Newman, '07, and Joy, '05. Bro. Cotton is manager of the track team. Bro. Teague, '06, is captain of the basketball team. Bro. Hoyt won the long distance run and will have his name and time engraved on the long distance cup. Bro. Emery, '06, took second place in the run and receives a ribbon.

Of last year's graduating class Bros. A. D. Cox, W. L. Glover and L. P. Knapp are teaching; Bro. W. M. H. Teague is representing the International Correspondence Schools, and Bro. C. W. Atchley is secretary to President Charles L. White.

The number of men returned in each fraternity and the number

initiated are as follows: Phi Delta Theta, 18-19; Delta Kappa Epsilon, 16-9; Delta Upsilon, 16-7; Zeta Psi, 11-10; Alpha Tau Omega, 2-11.
ARTHUR L. FIELD.

Waterville, November 25, 1903.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

The chinning season this year has been very successful, not only in the numbers pledged but in that our relations with the other fraternities have been of the friendliest nature. New Hampshire Alpha takes pleasure in presenting to the fraternity Bros. Arthur W. Chapin, Boston, Mass.; Howard C. Davis, Westerly, R. I.; Harry W. Higman, Chicago, Ill., and Charles S. Howard, Oskaloosa, Ia., of the class of 1906; and of the class of 1907, Bros. Dennis L. Black, Nashua, N. H.; Marsh B. Boothby, St. Louis, Mo.; Robert C. Cochrane, Somerville, Mass.; Charles A. Fasset, Nashua, N. H.; Thomas S. Field, Nashua, N. H.; William F. Garby, Walpole, Mass.; Walter G. Kennedy, Harwichport, Mass.; George E. Liscomb, Somerville, Mass.; Ira H. Prouty, Keene, N. H.; William A. Sanborn, Jr., Somerville, Mass.; C. Arthur Stearns, Johnson, Vt.; James W. Wallace, St. Louis, Mo.; Alfred G. White, St. Louis, Mo.

Dartmouth's football season will end on Thanksgiving Day with the annual game with Brown at Manchester. Thus far the season has been made very successful by victories over Massachusetts State College, Holy Cross, University of Vermont, Union, Williams, Wesleyan, Amherst and Harvard. The only defeat suffered so far was received from Princeton in a hard fought game. We are represented on the squad by Bro. Bankart, '06, and Chauncey W. Smith, '07 (pledged).

The chapter has taken her fair share of honors this fall. Bros. Emery, '05, Thrall, '05, and Wallace, '07, won points in the inter-class track meet this fall. Bros. Ralph, '05, Blatner, '05, Boothby, '07, and White, '07, are on the mandolin club. Bro. Paul, '06, is on the glee club. Bro. Oakford, '06, is on the dramatic club, of which Bro. Gormley, '04, is the manager.

We have had the pleasure of entertaining Bros. C. H. Gould, '92, and L. H. Blanchard, '97.
H. B. LODER.

Hanover, November 23, 1903.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

The medical department of the university opened November 28, and we have the following brothers who are taking medical work: Brooks, '03, Wheeler, '03, Orton, '04, and Briggs, '04. Bro. Briggs is also taking fourth year academic work.

October 23 we initiated Arthur T. Appleton, A. Merriman Brown, Earle L. Waterman, Charles L. Ingals, Harry G. Woodward, John Lamberton, Clayton W. Guptil and Archibald F. Parsons. The first four are taking engineering course, the others, with the exception of Parsons, taking Latin-scientific. Parsons is taking the course in commerce and economics.

On November 24 Vermont Alpha gave a house warming to her alumni. About fifteen of them were present, and the evening was very pleasantly spent. Bro. McFeeters, of Dartmouth, was present in behalf of New Hampshire Alpha.

Bro. Newton, '05, has been elected captain of the 'varsity football team for 1904. Bro. Ingals took the prize in the entrance examination in mathematics.

Our annual initiation banquet was held December 4 at Van Ness House, on which occasion we were very glad to welcome Bros. Crowell and Hibbard from the McGill chapter.

During the year will occur the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the university, at which time will also be celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of Vermont Alpha of Phi Delta Theta. Steps are being taken by the chapter to properly observe the latter, and we hope that every alumnus will make every effort to be present at both celebrations.

Bro. Ingals, '07, was called home by the death of his father, December 10.

On December 2 the Medical College was destroyed by fire. The cause is not known, but the fire is thought to have started from a cigar or cigarette stub. By the efforts of the faculty, class work has been carried on without interruption and additional laboratories have been fitted up.

NEHEMIAH A. TOWNE.

Burlington, December 21, 1903.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

The college catalogue published in November furnishes some interesting statistics in regard to Williams. There are 417 men in college, 142 of whom constitute the freshman class. The total number of graduates is over 4,000.

Williams concluded a football season which was as successful as the available material could warrant. Captain Peabody, Δ T, played a consistently strong game throughout. O'Neill, Williams, '02, coached the team. Out of eleven games played we won six, lost four and tied one. Our victories were over Laureate Boat Club, 20 to 11; M. A. C., 17 to 0; Tufts, 11 to 0; Syracuse, 17 to 5, and Hamilton, 29 to 0. Harvard defeated us 17-0; Columbia, 5-0; Dartmouth, 17-0, and Brown, 22-0. The tie game was played with Wesleyan, the score being 5-5. At a post-season meeting the team elected Watson, '05, Θ Δ X, captain for next year. In class football the sophomores, by playing fast football, defeated the strong freshman team by a score of 11-6. The basketball prospects are only fair, owing to the loss of three '03 men.

During the third week in November the college was much aroused by fear of a typhoid epidemic. Within ten days eight students were taken down with unmistakable typhoid symptoms, among them being Bros. Squires, '04, and Griffin, '07. President Hopkins, however, took prompt measures to prevent any spread of the disease, summoning two New York experts, who immediately isolated all cases and decided that the cause of contagion was without the town and very limited. No new cases have been reported, nor have any deaths occurred. Bro. Griffin is now well enough to leave the infirmary, while Bro. Squires is recovering rapidly.

Since the last letter Massachusetts Alpha has initiated George Warner Griffin, '07, of New York city.

Bro. Northup, '04, served on the Hallowe'en senior committee. Bro. W. G. Newell, '05, coached the freshman football team during

the season. Bros. Winslow and Ormsby, '07, both earned their class numerals in football.

Bros. Woodruff, '04, King, '03, and Abercrombie, '05, have visited the chapter during the fall. Bro. A. P. Newell, '05, was the chapter's delegate to the Alpha province convention at Syracuse, where New York Delta gave all visiting Phis a royal welcome. Bro. Pruyn, '05, was the representative of the chapter at the initiation banquet of Massachusetts Beta.

ALBERT P. NEWELL.

Williamstown, December 6, 1903.

RIHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

The first term is gradually drawing to a close and examinations are upon us. It was thought for some time that Brown was to undergo an invasion of typhoid fever, but the epidemic, if it was one, has been checked and there are only six cases in all at the present time, three of whom, I am sorry to state, are Phi Delta Theta men, Bros. Huff, '06, Kelley, '06, and Marshall, '06. Bros. Huff and Marshal are gradually convalescing, but Bro. Kelley's condition is quite serious.

Bro. McIntyre, who represented us at Syracuse, returned with glowing accounts of the province convention.

We received a hasty visit from Dr. Brown, P. G. C., on November 28. Only a few of the active chapter were present to welcome Bro. Brown, yet these few greatly enjoyed meeting him, and our only regret is that more of us could not have met him.

The Brown *Union*, which has been looked forward to for two or three years, is now nearly completed and will be occupied next term. The officers who are to have the *Union* in hand are to be elected from the student body, thus making it altogether a student affair.

The hockey team has begun its practice, as has the basketball team. The hockey team is composed mostly of new men, while the basketball team is made up wholly of last year's team, and its prospects are good.

Brown closed her football season on Thanksgiving Day with a very disastrous defeat at the hands of Dartmouth, the score being 62-0. We must congratulate Dartmouth on her superb team. Brown was defeated by Princeton 29-0, by Harvard 29-0, and by Pennsylvania 30-0. She won from Williams 22-0, from Vermont 24-0, and from Syracuse 12-5.

Our debating team has just returned from their annual debate with Dartmouth, who received the decision. Bro. McIntyre led the Brown team.

The senior class elections resulted in the election of Bro. N. B. Judah as chairman of the class day committee and Bro. McIntyre as speaker at the class tree. Bro. Huff, '06, is vice-president of his class. Bro. McIntyre was also elected chairman of the celebration committee.

B. H. BUXTON.

Providence, December 15, 1903.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION COLLEGE.

The close of the first term of Union's one hundred and eighth year has found New York Beta in an unusually flourishing condition. The university has closed a very successful football season, considering that much of the 'varsity squad was new material and a number of men temporarily disabled. The final score was that of the N. Y. U. game—11-0, favor of Union.

We take great pleasure in introducing from the freshman class Bros. Richards, Bishop, Davidson, Waters and Elliott. We have also pledged one man of the class of '08. There are now fourteen men in the active chapter.

A series of informal dances have been given at the house by the chapter, one after each football game on the campus. They have proved very pleasant; but the most notable event was the celebration of the twentieth anniversary of the chapter on December 3. Anniversary exercises were held at the house and were followed by dinner, during which the chapter was presented with a handsome silk banner. After the anniversary ceremony the company adjourned to Odd Fellows' Hall to spend the rest of the evening in dancing. The Phis present besides the active chapter were Bros. Winne, Swanker, Conover, C. F. Blessing, Lawton, Scofield, E. G. Blessing, Haggadorn, Adams, Nagel, Ripley, Willis, Grout, Hawn, Hays and Donhauser.

New York Beta is represented this year in the Allison-Foote debate by Bro. Hays, '04, with Bro. Sylvester, '06, as alternate.

Schenectady, December 15, 1903.

A. W. LENT.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

The chapter at Columbia is in a flourishing condition, and in no way did the excellent outlook at the beginning of the college year mislead us. Our rushing season has been most successful and we take the greatest pleasure in presenting to the fraternity in general four new brothers, Lawrence Ripley Clapp, '07, John L. Tonucle, '05, Ferris S. Hetherington, '07, and Elliot R. Alexander, '07. In addition to these we have pledged George Norris and Gardner Talcott, and consider that we have with us the pick of the freshmen. Bro. Emil Kehrlein, of *Leland Stanford*, has affiliated with us, and is here for a seven-year course. The elder Kehrlein, also a Phi, is studying at the P. and S.

All of our new men took part in the annual fall regatta on the Hudson. Bro. Maeder, captain of the crew, kept the freshmen on the water as long as the weather would permit and expects very shortly to start all candidates at work on the machines.

The football team has just finished a very successful season, being victorious in every game played except one, that with Yale. The gymnasium team, captained by Bro. Ashley, and the fencing team, captained by Bro. Pitou, have started work. There is a good nucleus of veterans in both branches of sport, and confidence is felt that the teams will be excellent. Bro. Benham, whose absence last year was greatly felt, has again entered gymnasium work.

Our two delegates to Syracuse, Bros. Updike and T. Miller, re-

ported a thoroughly good time and enjoyed meeting the Phis gathered there.
BURRITT NASH WHEELER.

New York, December 1, 1903.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

Since the last issue of THE SCROLL New York Epsilon has passed through one of the most enjoyable periods in her history. The province convention left us stronger in every way and will long be remembered.

We have initiated into the mysteries of Phi Delta Theta Fred Jackson, '07, electrical engineering, of Syracuse, and Fred Perry, '07, scientific, Whitney Point. The scarcity of good material in the arts courses has caused much discussion among the different fraternities. We regret to announce the loss of Bro. Stewart Harrison, '06, who has left college on account of ill health.

The local chapter of Phi Gamma Delta entertained Phi Delta Theta at a most enjoyable smoker on Wednesday evening, December 11. This policy of inter-fraternity entertainment seems to be particularly successful in bringing about a friendly spirit between the chapters.

Tuesday evening, November 24, Bro. Rubin, manager of the '03 football team, entertained its members at the chapterhouse.

Bro. Bateman, manager of the university band, carried out very successfully the third annual concert at Crouse College on December 16. At the junior prom Phi Delta Theta will be well represented. On the following evening, December 18, our first game of basketball with Yale will take place. This is the first time to our knowledge that Yale has sent any team to Syracuse. Bro. Twombly, ex-captain, will represent us.

A full report of the convention will be found in this issue of THE SCROLL.
HARRISON D. SANFORD.

Syracuse, December 17, 1903.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

At present all attention is centered on the football game with Lehigh, to be played Saturday, November 21. Our only defeat this season was by Princeton. The score of 11 to 0 was far better than many anticipated, for the Princeton men were veterans on the gridiron, while our eleven had practically been developed from new material.

On Founder's Day, October 21, a tablet was unveiled in Brainerd Hall, expressing the appreciation of the board of trustees to Bro. James Renwick Hogg, '78, the donor of the building. On the same day the dual track and field meet between the sophomores and freshmen was held, the former winning. Pennsylvania Alpha was represented by Bro. Wilson, '06, captain of his team; Bros. McPherson, '07, and Welsh, '07.

Since our last letter we have initiated three men and take pleasure in presenting Bro. Joseph Grubb Alexander, '06, Scranton, Pa.; Bro. Wallace Douglass Durrett, '07, Wallace, Kan., and Andrew Craig Pierce, '07, McKeesport, Pa.

The following is the list of the eleven fraternities at Lafayette with the number of men initiated this fall by each: $\Delta K E$, 9; $Z \Psi$, 3; $\Theta \Delta X$, 5; ΣX , 5; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, 9; $\Phi K \Psi$, 5; $X \Phi$, 5; $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$, 4; ΔT , 4; ΣN , 6; $\Psi A K$, 5.

Bros. Radcliffe, '77, Allen, '94, Pierce, '99, Van Allen, '02, Isett, '01, and Bushnell, '03, have visited the chapter.

Our delegate to the province convention is Bro. Cooper, '05, with Bro. Hubly, '05, as alternate. JOHN MCGILL COOPER.

Easton, November 20, 1903.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

The members of Pennsylvania Beta will leave in a few days for their Christmas vacations. The term has been a prosperous one for the chapter, and the prospects for the coming year are bright.

Bro. H. H. Kellar, '01, who is now studying law at the University of Pennsylvania, met with a very serious gunning accident in October. As a result it is feared that he will lose the sight of one eye.

Bro. Trump, '05, has for some weeks been confined to his home at Martinsburg, W. Va., by typhoid fever. He is now recovering rapidly and hopes to return to college at the beginning of the new year. Bro. Eppler, '04, represented the chapter at the Syracuse convention. He brought back glowing reports of Syracuse hospitality. Bro. Muhlenberg, '06, was recently elected assistant football manager. As before reported, Bro. Trump holds the position of baseball manager. Bro. Hartzell, '05, has been elected a member of the junior debating team. Pennsylvania Beta is well represented in the musical clubs by Bros. Fischer, '04, Singmaster and Trump, '05.

The chapter has had the pleasure lately of entertaining Bros. Judy, Smith, Cheesman and Benner, of Pennsylvania Epsilon. We have been greatly helped in our chapter meetings by the presence at different times of members of the local alumni, among them Rev. Vaughn T. Rue, '85, Pennsylvania Epsilon, and Bros. Huber, '01, and Hay, '03. Bro. Rue has extended the chapter an invitation to his home in Gettysburg on the evening of December 17.

Gettysburg, December 16, 1903.

PAUL B. DUNBAR.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter Pennsylvania Gamma has pledged the following men: Paul A. Stuart, '05, Cheswick, Pa., and Stuart McD. Henderson, '08, Wilkinsburg, Pa. Mr. Stuart was sub-guard on our football team, and played in nearly every game. We closed the season with a splendid record, having lost but one game, and been scored on by but two teams. Among our worthiest vanquished rivals were Ohio Medical University, Geneva and Annapolis.

Our annual fraternity banquet takes place on the third Friday of the winter term and will be held in the new Elks' Hall.

Bro. McElroy was our representative at the province convention at Syracuse. Bro. Torkum, who attended Washington and Jefferson in his freshman year and became a Phi here, has been elected captain of Pennsylvania State College eleven for next season.

Bro. W. S. Grubbs, '05, will manage our football team next year. Washington, December 15, 1903. HORACE W. DAVIS.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Pennsylvania Epsilon, since her last letter, has initiated and now presents to the fraternity Bro. George L. Kress, of Johnstown, Pa. This makes our present membership nineteen. The fraternities have old and new membership as follows: $\Phi\ K\ \Sigma$, 15-3; $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$, 11-3; $\Sigma\ X$, 8-2; $B\ \Theta\ \Pi$, 8-6; $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, 11-8; $\Sigma\ A\ E$, 17-4; $K\ \Sigma$, 12-5; the law fraternities— $\Delta\ X$, 9-4; $\Theta\ \Lambda\ \Phi$, 7-8; the sororities— $\Phi\ A\ \Pi$, 6-9; $\Omega\ \Psi$, 5-13.

$\Theta\ \Lambda\ \Phi$, a new legal fraternity founded at Dickinson in 1903, is to enter Cornell, making three chapters of this fraternity, the other two being Dickinson, known as the Holmes chapter, and the Cooley chapter at the Detroit School of Law. $\Phi\ A\ \Pi$ has been granted a charter by the $\Pi\ B\ \Phi$ sorority, and will present nineteen candidates for installation. $\Omega\ \Psi$, the other local sorority, is applying to $K\ A\ \Theta$ for a charter.

A brick house opposite the campus, that $\Sigma\ X$ has been occupying, will be demolished to make room for a new lodge, the cornerstone of which will be laid about commencement time. $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$ and $\Sigma\ X$ are the only fraternities owning houses, $\Sigma\ A\ E$, $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$, $\Theta\ \Lambda\ \Phi$ renting houses, while $\Phi\ K\ \Sigma$, $B\ \Theta\ \Pi$, $K\ \Sigma$, $\Delta\ X$ and the sororities rent rooms.

Our football season has closed with great satisfaction, even though our early games were not what they might have been. Since the last letter we have lost to West Point, 12-0; Annapolis, 5-0, and Lehigh, 17-0; but won from Mercersburg, 23-5; Franklin and Marshall, 18-6; Baltimore Medical College, 12-0; State College, 6-0; Ursinus, 17-0, and Lafayette, 35-0. This makes a total of seven games won and five lost, with a score in our favor of 156-78. Bro. Ralph Smith was manager of the team, and on it were Bros. Cramer, Harry Smith and Hoffman.

Bro. Baker is president of the Comus Club and manager of the glee and mandolin clubs. Bro. Cheesman is managing editor of *The Dickinsonian*, with Bros. Judy and E. Keeley associate editors, and Bro. Harry Smith assistant manager; the editor-in-chief is a $\Phi\ K\ \Sigma$, elected as a barbarian. Bro. Harry Smith is assistant manager of the 1905 *Microcosm*. Bros. Baker and Cheesman were elected to membership in the Raven's Claw, the senior society. On the musical clubs are Bros. Spedden, Cramer, L. Smith, Judy, Kress and Gehring. Bro. Tomkinson, '03, is now teaching mathematics and English in the Dickinson preparatory school. Our delegate to the province convention was Bro. Baker.

Affiliation certificates have been given Bros. Beazzell, ex-'04, and Meek, ex-'05, the former uniting with Ohio Zeta and the latter with Illinois Beta.

During the past few weeks we have been visited by Bros. Loose, '01, Hoffman, '02, Appleman, '03, Haldeman, '03, Swift, ex-'04, all of Pennsylvania Epsilon; Bros. Singmaster, Dornberger, Fisher, and Muhlenburg, of Pennsylvania Beta; Bro. Treverton, of Pennsylvania Eta, and Bro. Newsom, '09, of Georgia Alpha.

Carlisle, December 3, 1903.

W.M. H. CHEESMAN.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Since our last letter we have initiated six brothers, and it gives us great pleasure to introduce Bros. H. and C. Block, Peoria, Ill.; Bilyeu, Germantown; Hawley, Philadelphia; Stine, Toledo, Ohio; Allison, Wallingford. Bro. Turnbull, of Lehigh, has affiliated and Mr. Sawyer, of Des Moines, Iowa, is pledged. Our chapter now numbers thirty-eight, including the pledge, and it is the largest as well as one of the most active chapters in the history of Pennsylvania Zeta. Phi Delta Theta is recognized in every phase of college life, and the brothers are prominently identified with college organizations.

Our football team, which opened the season under such auspicious circumstances, was a great disappointment. This year we had a great abundance of material, and the general impression is that there will be an upheaval in our coaching system. About fifteen brothers attended the Columbia-Pennsylvania game, and we were royally entertained by the Columbia chapter. Hallowe'en was celebrated in good style. The out-of-town brothers entertained their friends on the occasion, and the house was tastefully decorated with jack-o'-lanterns, cornstalks, and autumnal foliage. Last month Bros. Read, '00, and Warthman, '01, were married. The active chapter was well represented on both occasions, and we extend our heartiest congratulations to both the brothers.

The new engineering buildings are well under way and when completed Pennsylvania will have one of the most complete engineering schools in the country.

In politics Phi Delta Theta is still in the lead. Bro. Davis is on the executive committee of the senior class. Bros. Bortle, W. Hardt, and Goodin are, respectively, president, treasurer, and member of executive committee of the junior class. Bros. Hawley and Bilyeu are, respectively, vice-president and secretary of the freshman class. On the college journals we are also well represented: Bros. Acker and B. Ludlow, editors of the *American Law Register*; Bro. Goodin, business manager, and Bros. Bruner, J. Hardt, and Bortle, editors, of *The Pennsylvanian*; Bro. Bortle, junior editor, and Bro. Goodin, editor, of *The Red and Blue*. In the fall regatta the sophomores of the college were victorious, with the college juniors second. In the winning boat Phi Delta Theta was represented by Bros. York, stroke and captain, Hendrie, and Appleton. Bro. Bruner was coxswain of the junior crew and Bro. Hawley was substitute on the freshman crew. The committees for the college dances were appointed last month. Bro. Davis is a member of the Ivy ball; Bros. Goodin and Bruner of the junior ball; Bros. A. Ludlow and Hendrie of the sophomore dance.

Bro. W. Gardiner, captain of last year's crew and football team, was elected to the board of directors of the athletic association. Bro. McCarey is captain of the swimming team and a member of the varsity cross country team. Bro. Appleton is a member of the swimming team and the gun club. Bro. Dieterle is a member of the gymnastic team. Bros. Hendrie, York, and A. Ludlow played on the sophomore football team, which won the college championship. The preliminary plays of the Mask and Wig Club are well

under way, and Bros. Goodin, Conway, A. Ludlow, and Dieterle have been assigned parts. The successful candidates from these plays are chosen for the Easter production. Bro. Bortle is a member of the board of government of the Mask and Wig Club.

Bro. Keene, the president of the Phi Alpha Sigma medical fraternity, won the university prize in obstetrics. Bros. Bruner, Richards, Tobias, and H. Block are members of the musical clubs. Bro. Hall is secretary of the Cercle Francais and of the Penn Charter club. Bro. Bruner is treasurer of the engineering society. Bro. Dieterle is secretary of the Ewing chemical society, and a member of the sophomore debate committee.

During the football season there was an attempt on the part of the cheer leaders to introduce an Amherst song. Considerable discussion was aroused and Phi Delta Theta led the opposition while a Psi Upsilon supported the song. A mass meeting was held and Bro. B. Ludlow spoke on the inadvisability of taking the songs of other colleges. Upon the vote being taken there was a decided sentiment against the song and it was not adopted.

During the past month we have been particularly fortunate in having so many Phis visit us. Bro. Brown, P. G. C., paid us a most welcome visit. The Thanksgiving holidays brought many of our old brothers back, and we were glad to welcome them. Bros. Goodin and Allison represented us at the province convention, and after hearing their report the brothers regretted that they had not attended in a body. The college closed for the holidays with a grand finale at the sophomore dance. ROLLIN CANTWELL BORTLE.

Philadelphia, December 23, 1903.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

We can justly say that our football season this year was a success. Although we were not victorious in all the games, the close scores of some we played with college and university teams above our class, make us feel proud of our team and evidence the good training it received. When weights are compared the scores in the games with Virginia and Columbian University seem almost incredible. We were not defeated by any team of its weight during the entire season.

We have pledged four new men, all of whom were much desired by the other fraternities.

But, best of all, we are now in a chapterhouse. We moved in about a week ago and things are already beginning to look cozy. We do not own the house, but have leased it for one year. It is situated on the edge of the campus and at a convenient distance from the college lecture rooms. At present, accommodations are provided for eight men, but should it become necessary, room can be made for two more. All the apartments are on one floor, and a large sitting-room in front is bright with a cheery fireplace. Any Phi coming to Ashland will always be welcome.

Ashland, December 15, 1903.

RICHARD P. GRAVELY.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

Washington and Lee opened September 10, with a larger attendance than for several years, there being 300 matriculates during the first few weeks. Under the present vigorous administration the university has been making rapid strides. A very handsome science hall is being erected, which is the first of a new scheme of buildings for university enlargement and improvement.

Virginia Zeta lost by graduation last year Bros. S. A. Wither-spoon, editor-in-chief of the *Calyx*, and J. W. Bagley, who was captain of the baseball team and president of the final ball. Bros. Simms, Coleman and Jenkins failed to return this year. Of the returning members Bros. Campbell, Mann and McBryde were on the ground early. We were also strengthened by the return of Bro. Sloan, who had not been in college for two years, and by the affiliation of Bros. P. S. White from Texas Beta, and A. D. Pettyjohn from Virginia Gamma.

We have initiated five men. The chapter takes great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bros. C. F. Bagley, '07, Fayetteville, Tenn.; T. O. Bagley, '07, Fayetteville, Tenn.; G. W. P. Whip, '06, Frederick, Md.; J. L. Colville, '07, McMinnville, Tenn., and G. R. Le Gore, '07, Legore, Md.

Scarcely had we entered on our year's work when we were saddened by the sudden illness and death, from typhoid fever, of our beloved brother, Percy Sims White. By his open, frank, lovable disposition he had soon endeared himself to our hearts, and although he was with us such a short time, we had learned to love him, and we feel his loss very deeply. Our heartfelt sympathies go out to his bereaved father.

We are glad to report that the fever which at one time threatened to become epidemic has been successfully brought under control by the local health officers, and there have been no new cases reported for more than a month.

We were represented in football this year by Bros. Campbell, who starred at half back, and Bagley, who played sub-end. The team this year was unusually strong, meeting defeat only once during the season.

The chapter recently moved into larger and more comfortable rooms. Before closing we wish to mention the valuable aid rendered us at the beginning of the session by Bros. Caldwell McBride, '06, R. G. Campbell, '08, T. M. Semmes, '06, Dr. Thornton Whaling, pastor Lexington Presbyterian Church, and S. M. Walker, mayor of Lexington.

T. DWIGHT SLOAN.

Lexington, November 25, 1903.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The closing fall term has been as successful as any in the history of the university. We played our usual football game with Virginia at Richmond on Thanksgiving Day, and the result was an overwhelming victory of 16 to 0 for Carolina. Bro. Donnelly played tackle against Bro. Council, who was formerly Carolina's star center.

We were very glad to meet our province president, Bro. H. L.

Watson, in Richmond, and also several other Phis. Among them was Bro. Haldeman, an alumnus of Dickinson, who accompanied us to Chapel Hill for a few days' visit.

Our prospects for a winning baseball team are unusually bright. Bro. Donnelly will represent us, and Bro. Yelverton, who was captain of his class team, has a good chance to make his 'N. C.' Bro. Kluttz will probably represent us on one of the intercollegiate debates this spring.

We are looking forward with great interest to receiving the history of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. Judging from the advance sheets, it will certainly surpass any similar publication.

It is rumored that no annual will be issued this year by the literary societies and fraternities. In that event the fraternities will probably resume their old custom of publishing a Hellenian.

We hope to have Bros. Smathers and Winston with us during the next term, also a new initiate. T. F. HICKERSON.

Chapel Hill, December 19, 1903.

KENTUCKY ALPHA DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

Central University has just been grieved by the death of her honored and beloved president, William Charles Roberts, D. D., LL. D., S. T. D. After seventy-one years of active life spent in the service of his God and his fellow men, Dr. Roberts departed this life on Friday, November 27. As an educator, Dr. Roberts was widely known throughout this country; as a pastor, he was reverenced at home and abroad; as a man he was loved for his good and noble life. His last communication with the students was by a letter written upon his deathbed, in which his last appeal was that they should ever strive to build fine and noble characters, which would reflect honor upon their families and credit upon their Alma Mater.

Death has come again and taken from our midst a noble Greek, Bro. George W. Welsh, '97. Bro. Welsh was one of our most prominent young alumni in the city, and was the only son of George W. Welsh, a widely-known citizen of Danville.

Kentucky Alpha Delta has initiated another brother since our last letter, Walter H. Rankins. Bros. Schoolfield and Sandifer, '03, now in the department of law, have affiliated with the chapter. Bro. Dishman, however, has returned to his home at Barbourville to devote his time and energy to editing a newspaper there. This leaves the chapter with fifteen active men.

At the auction sale of boxes for the college minstrels, Phi Delta Theta overbid the other fraternities and procured the choicest boxes. They will be decorated in our colors and graced by our sisters on the night of the entertainment.

Many improvements have been made upon our hall, and we are proud in having the best fraternity quarters in town. The chapter was to have had a reception in honor of our sisters last month, but it was postponed on account of Bro. Welsh's death, and will be given some time in the near future. JOHN M. P. THATCHER.

Danville, December 5, 1903.

KENTUCKY EPSILON, KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

Kentucky Epsilon now numbers fourteen men, having initiated one and one having retired since our last letter. Bro. Wilken was forced to leave college because of illness. It is with pleasure that we present to the fraternity Bro. Warren Viley McFerran, '07, of Versailles, Ky.

Our football team was unusually successful this year, winning every game played but the final one, that with Kentucky University. I trust it will not be out of place here to offer a word of explanation in regard to the last game, in which we played ringers, and which caused a great deal of comment. For the last few years we have been endeavoring to form an agreement with the university to play only bona fide students on athletic teams. This they have declined to do. In order for our season to be a financial success it is necessary that we play the game. We hoped that by causing a newspaper agitation we should be able to prevent them securing games with the better southern colleges and force them to the agreement for clean athletics.

Patterson Hall, the new girls' dormitory, is now completed and presents a fine appearance.

It has been our pleasure to have the following brothers with us recently: Bros. Maddock, Ohio Beta; Sandifer, Gill and Brown, of Kentucky Alpha-Delta.

Bro. Richard W. Ellis, our only graduate of the class of '03, is with the Sturtevant Machine Co. of Boston.

The following is a list of the memberships of the fraternities in the college, followed by the number initiated by each this year: Σ A E, 20-7; K A, 17-3; K Σ, 18-7; Σ X, 12-5; Π K A, 14-4; Σ N, 12-5, and Φ Δ Θ, 14-8. Φ Δ Θ has four pledged men.

Lexington, December 30, 1903. R. H. BARCLAY.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

The football team closed a successful season on Thanksgiving Day by defeating our old rival, Sewanee, 11-5. We won every game except that with Cumberland, the first game of the season, which we lost by the score of 6-0, and a draw game with Texas, 5-5. Sewanee defeated Cumberland, however, and in the opinion of experts Vanderbilt has the best claim to the Southern championship. Bros. Tigert and Bryan played regularly on the team as half-backs, Bro. J. T. Howell, at end and half-back, played in a majority of the games, and Bro. Manier was a substitute. Bro. Tigert has been unanimously elected captain for next year.

The basketball team, with Bro. Tigert as captain, has begun practice and prospects are good.

Though we have our share of athletic honors, we are not behind-hand in other lines. Bros. Tigert and Cornelius have been initiated into Phi Beta Kappa to date, being the only men of the senior class to receive this honor. Bro. Dobbs has been elected one of the speakers for the annual inter-society oratorical contest, the winner of which represents Vanderbilt in the inter-collegiate contest to be held in this city next spring. Bro. M. B. Howell is vice-president

of the freshman class, and Bros. Wright and Montgomery are on the glee club.

Bro. Weller has returned home and will probably not be back this year.

On the evening of December 11, the chapter enjoyed the hospitality of two of our most loyal alumni. Bros. W. R. and J. W. Manier, at a game supper. The fraternity colors and emblems were artistically in evidence in the decorations and throughout the courses. Other alumni present were Bros. J. H. DeWitt, '94, A. E. Howell, '82, W. H. Witt, '87, and J. R. West, '80. The occasion was in every way delightful, and the chapter feels itself benefited in more ways than one.

ADOLPHE F. NYE.

Nashville, December 14, 1903.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Our year closed December 20, and the men of Sewanee are scattered to the four quarters of the United States, to reassemble March 20, 1904. While the winter holiday is in many ways pleasanter than the ordinary summer vacation it is not calculated to aid the reporter in his task. THE SCROLL is published bi-monthly, from October to June; the University of the South is closed from December 20 to March 20,—allowing the reporter four letters, one of which must be written on the eve of departure during the throes of examinations, and another when he has just returned to the mountain and ought to be busy meeting old friends.

I have never seen a pessimistic letter in THE SCROLL; in fact, I do not believe the editor would publish one. Our sixty-eight reporters seem blessed with a divine optimism, and if we sometimes stretch our consciences it is in a good cause. The present letter is to be no exception. The past year really has been a very successful and a very pleasant one for the Sewanee chapter, and it is with sincere regret that we consign it to the days which are no more.

In our rushing of the past two terms we were fortunate enough to secure five out of the six men asked: A. W. Barlow, Hope, Arkansas; L. P. Brooks, Sewanee, Tennessee; E. Kirby-Smith, Sewanee, Tennessee; Malcolm Lockhart, Selma, Alabama; T. W. Palmer, Fernandina, Florida.

Our representatives on the football team were Bros. L. Kirby-Smith (captain), M. A. Watkins, and E. Kirby-Smith. In his capacity as athletic editor of *The Purple*, Bro. Williams accompanied the team on all its trips.

The following elections have taken place: As representatives in the Pan-Hellenic, Bros. Abrams, Brown and Williams; as associate editor of *The Literary Magazine*, Bro. Brown; as secretary Sigma Epsilon literary society, Bro. Ellerbe; as member of Sopherim, Bro. Brown; as member of the Neographic Club, Bro. Ellerbe.

The chapterhouse has been improved by the addition of a new book-case and a collection of pennants. It is our desire to obtain a pennant from every college where Phi Delta Theta is represented, and to hang sixty-eight on the walls of our historic little house. For the idea and the success with which it has met we are indebted to Miss Hodgson, and I take this opportunity to express our thanks

to her and to my brother reporters who have been so prompt in exchanging pennants.

By the addition of the house and lot adjoining our old one, we have secured a situation at once convenient and attractive. We hope to begin building a stone chapterhouse in the spring. The present house is to be used for billiards and pool only.

Sewanee as a university has progressed. Two stone buildings—a chapel and a gymnasium—are in process of construction. It is said that the gymnasium is to be the best equipped in the South. While the attendance in the medical department for the past year shows a decrease in numbers, that of the academic department shows an increase of one-third. This is regarded as most encouraging.

As far as I know the championship of the South in football cannot be awarded this year. In the opinion of many, Sewanee has as much right to it as any one. The season's scores are as follows, Sewanee's being first in each case: 23, Mooney 0; 6, Cumberland 0; 52, Tennessee Meds 0; 47, Auburn 0; 23, University of Alabama 0; 6, University of Nashville 0; 17, University of Tennessee 0; 5, Vanderbilt 10.

PAUL LEE ELLERBE.

Birmingham, Alabama, December.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.

The rushing season has been over for some time and Georgia Alpha has settled down to the usual routine with a chapter of fourteen men. In college honors so far this season we feel that we have had our share.

Bro. Hopkins has been elected to Sphinx, a college club composed of men who have distinguished themselves in the literary life of the university or on the athletic field; he has also been elected manager of the *Georgian*, the monthly magazine of the university, as well as editor-in-chief of the college annual. He has served a term as athletic editor of the *Red and Black*, the college weekly, and was a member of the debating teams which won from the University of the South at Sewanee.

Bro. Askew has been elected president of the class of 1905, and also a member of the junior social club. Bro. Richter is secretary of the athletic association. Bro. Parks represented us on the football field. Besides these honors several brothers hold offices in classes, clubs, etc.

Since our last letter we have had the great pleasure of a visit from Bro. Arthur McCrillis, historian of the general council. Bro. McCrillis was accompanied by his wife, but the chapter did not know at the time that they were on their wedding tour. They remained in the city but a few hours, but visited the chapterhouse.

We have also been visited during the past month by Bros. Newsom and King.

WALTER O. MARSHBURN.

Athens, December 15, 1903.

GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

As bright as were Georgia Beta's prospects at the beginning of the term, still brighter have been the accomplishments of our chapter in every phase of college life. We can only boast of having held the enviable record which has been and continues to be a criterion to the fraternity world at Emory.

Bro. Brown has been elected Dux of the sophomore class, Bro. Paage manager of the baseball team, and Bro. Rayne manager of junior football team.

$\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has been ably represented on the gridiron this season. On the sophomore team we had Bros. Quillain, Cox, King, and Bro. Christani, assistant coach; on the junior team, Bros. Rayne, Tarbutton and Thomas; on the senior team was Bro. Richardson.

We are contemplating issuing an annual chapter letter, which has been neglected previously.

We have several fine men under contemplation for after the holidays.

WALES W. THOMAS.

Oxford, December 19, 1903.

ALABAMA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA.

The approaching Christmas will find the University of Alabama in a most prosperous condition. The enrollment of students is next to the largest since the war, and there is a sympathy between the authorities and students which bodes well for the future of the college.

Despite the fact that the football team won only three games out of seven played, the student body is more than satisfied with the results of the season as one of our victories was over the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, an old rival with a supremacy on the gridiron of ten years' standing. Alabama Alpha was represented on the team by Bros. Clark, full-back; Oates, guard, and McQueen, tackle.

We take pleasure in introducing Bro. Pettus Lee, '07, of Marion, Ala.

In baseball our prospects are very bright, as we have seven old 'varsity men back and plenty of good new material. We hope again to win the championship of the South in this branch of athletics. There will in all probability be a Phi representative on the team, as we have several likely contestants for places.

Bro. Oates has been chosen to look after the juniors on the *Corolla* board for 1903-'04.

The chapter has been reduced in the number of active members to twenty-one by the resignation of two members: Bro. McQueen, being appointed disciplinarian of Barrox, was required by the laws of the university to resign active membership. Bro. Finch has left college.

JAS. H. KIRKPATRICK.

University, December 14, 1903.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

Since our last report to THE SCROLL we have initiated Bro. L. W. Pierce, '03, of Montgomery, Ala. Bro. Pierce is a post-graduate in electrical and mechanical engineering. This gives the chapter a membership of sixteen.

We are still working on our chapterhouse proposition and prospects seem bright for erection of a house at an early date.

Our past football season was not altogether a success. For the first time in several years we lost to Alabama. We defeated L. S. U. 12 to 0, and Georgia Tech. by a score of 10 to 0, Bro. W. G. Boyd making two drop kicks from field. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ was represented on the team by Bro. Boyd, and by Bro. Chambers as assistant manager. Bro. Pierce played a steady game at end throughout the season.

The present enrollment of the college is the largest in its history, and is expected to reach over 500 after the Christmas holidays.

Auburn, December 15, 1903.

J. SEABORN BOYD.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

The school term just closing is one of the most prosperous that Miami has ever had. A large increase in attendance, and the creation of new departments and a more complete equipment of those already established, have contributed much to the success the university is at present enjoying. During the present term there has been a great literary revival in the institution. Having but one literary society last year, we now have four, all of which are in a prosperous condition. An inter-society contest is soon to be held, the winner of which will represent Miami in a district contest. This contest, in turn, will be a preliminary for the national oratorical contest which will be held in St. Louis during the world's fair there in 1904.

In all affairs of the institution, in which the student body bore a part, This have been active. In athletics we have been very fortunate. On the football team we were represented by Bros. Reed, Blickensderfer, Hartle and Mr. Newman. Bro. Reed, as right half-back, made an unusually good record during the season, which stands him well in hand for the captaincy of next year's team. As right end, Bro. Blickensderfer made an excellent showing. Because of a broken collar bone, Bro. Hartle was compelled to withdraw from the game early in the season. His previous record, however, showed him to be one of the coming football stars of the university. In literary affairs the This have been none the less prominent. We took a very active part in the reorganization of the Miami Union Literary Society, of which Bros. Harrison and Swing were notable members, and secured the presidency. In the inter-society contest, to be held January 8, we are to be represented by Bro. Smith and Mr. Newman.

Ohio Alpha takes great pleasure in introducing to our brothers in the bond, Bros. Hartle, Whipple, Everett and Burkhardt, whom we have initiated since our last writing. To our list of pledges we have added the names of Messrs. O'Byrne and Stevenson.

The chapter had a very delightful visit recently from Bro. Shaw, of Eaton, Ohio. Bro. Penn, of Kokomo, Ind., was also a guest of the chapter.

HOWARD S. SMITH.

Oxford, December 15, 1903.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

The term just closing has been an unusually quiet one at Ohio Wesleyan. Most of the interest was centered in the football team and now that the season is over attention is being directed toward debate. The debate with Western Reserve and the oratorical contest will both be held here this year.

Our football team, while not a success as to number of games won, deserves considerable credit when all the conditions are considered. Following are the scores, Ohio Wesleyan being mentioned first in each case: 19, Miami 6; 0, Medics 26; 7, Marietta 6; 0, Oberlin 39; 61, Otterbein 6; 24, Reserve 11; 38, Kenyon 17; 6, Case 29; 6, O. S. U. 29. After the Oberlin game a radical shaking up occurred and better results were secured. Coach Place has been greatly praised for the results following his work. At the election held today Bro. Rardin was elected football captain for the season of 1904.

In debate Ohio Beta seems to have as good a chance as ever. Bros. Anderson, Morrow and Prout were chosen with nine others, at the second preliminary, to compete for the first and second teams. These teams will be chosen at the final preliminary next Monday night.

Since our last letter we have initiated John Wesley Pontius, '06, Andrew Prout, '07, C. C. Brown, '07. We have pledged D. A. Morrow and R. D. Morrow, '07, Campbellstown, Ohio.

On the faculty we have Bro. Redrup, '04, assistant in geology. Bro. Hutchinson has been elected president of the senior lecture course committee for 1904 and 1905.

On Saturday evening, December 5, an informal reception was tendered our new men, and a characteristic Phi time was enjoyed. Bro. C. C. Whitney, '02, was with us on this occasion.

The date of the province convention has not yet been definitely fixed, but we hope to have it occur about Easter time.

Delaware, December 7, 1903.

WILL H. MITCHELL.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have pledged James Luttrell, of San Luis Obispo, Cal. This gives Ohio Gamma a total of eleven men. Beta Theta Pi initiated three men, and have nine in all. Delta Tau Delta has a chapter of thirteen.

The football team was not very successful, partly on account of not having an experienced coach to develop the green material.

On October 31, Ohio Gamma entertained her lady friends and alumni with a Hallowe'en party.

We received pleasant visits during the past two months from Bro. McMasters, '91, Columbus, Ohio; Bro. Gold, '02, Sedalia, Mo.; and Bro. Casto, '01, Parkersburg, W. Va. Bro. Thomas A. Jones, '81, has recently married and has moved from Jackson, Ohio, to Marietta, Ohio. On November 9 Bro. Charles Blake was married to Miss Adeline Myers at Washington, D. C. JOHN PRESTON.

Athens, December 15, 1903.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bro. Kirk Donavin, of Columbus, whom we take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity.

The football season was, on the whole, satisfactory, but we lost the one game which we most desired to win. The basketball team has won its first game, and promises to be better than ever, as all of last year's team is back and there are several promising new men. We have four men out for the track team, which is beginning in-door practice.

The chapter gave the first of its informal dances about a month ago, at which quite a few of the alumni were present.

Bro. H. P. Humphrey, '04, has been elected president of the Ceramics association, while Bro. Nedrick Reynolds, '06, is treasurer of the same organization.

Bro. J. B. Ballou, our province president, paid us a short visit last week. Bro. C. C. Wise, '02, Cleveland, Ohio; Bro. J. L. A. Connors, Purdue University, and Bro. A. Shallcross Hard, '01, have also been at the chapterhouse lately.

E. D. ROYON.

Columbus, December 14, 1903.

OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

Christmas time finds Ohio Eta in a most prosperous condition, financially and fraternally.

The football season just past has been a string of victories such as no other Case team has enjoyed. Our team met and defeated every one of the other teams of this state composing the Big Six—Oberlin, Ohio State, Kenyon, Delaware and Western Reserve University. Last year we secured state championship honors, and when the past season was new, the unanimous cry of the students was for the same laurels. When the season closed Case had scored 245 points against her opponents' 11. [This does not include the annual game with Michigan, the score this year being, Case 0, Michigan 31.] The lowest score made against any team of the state was greater than the sum of scores made by all the state teams against Case. This score was 12 to 0, with Ohio State University.

To Bro. Cadle, '04, captain of this team, no small credit should be given. Bro. Cadle has played in every game occurring since he entered the school four years ago. He has never been laid out in any of these games during this time. As captain of the championship team he has led not alone in management, but as a player, his fine work exciting general commendation. He was unanimously chosen to play his position, right tackle, on the all-Ohio team.

Bro. Charlesworth, '04, who has played the position of left guard in every game but one since he entered the institution four years ago, has outclassed all his opponents and was chosen for the all-Ohio team. Bro. Resch, '05, full-back on the varsity the past two years, was unanimously chosen for the same position on the all-Ohio. Bros. Steiner, '05, Thomas, '05, Baker, '06, and Schroeder, '07, never failed to make their distance when called upon to carry the ball.

Case is the last of the Big Six colleges to organize a basketball team. As we have no place suitable for practicing, the work is being

done at the Central Y. M. C. A. down town. Games have been arranged with the best teams in the state, and though young in the business we anticipated a successful season. Bros. Vicary, '06, Thomas, '05, Resch, '05, and Booth, '07, are practicing on the squad.

The fraternities in the school have organized a bowling league. Teams from each fraternity must meet in three match games. Bro. De Forest, '04, is captain of our team, and with him are Bros. Charlesworth, '04, Resch, '05, Baker, '06, and Willard, '07. No match games have yet been played.

The members of the musical clubs have been selected and rehearsals are being held regularly. The material for the clubs is much above the average this year. Besides the regular concerts in Cleveland, several will be given in neighboring towns during a week's trip in March. The fraternity is represented by Bro. Cadle, leader of the glee club; Bros. Dutton, '04, Charlesworth, '04, Schroeder, '07, Barkdull, '07, and Hickok, '05.

The social season for the chapter opened last month with an enjoyable affair, there being about forty-five couples present. It being the date of the Case-Wesleyan game, the members from Ohio Beta were invited to spend the evening with us, but connections with trains made it impossible for them to stay. We hope, however, to be able to entertain Ohio Beta at some other more convenient time. It is our intention to make these affairs as attractive as possible to the alumni.

On Thanksgiving evening the local fraternity Phi Alpha Chi passed out of existence with the installation of Beta Phi chapter of Kappa Sigma. Phi Alpha Chi was organized a little over a year ago. Its members are to be congratulated upon the results of their work to secure a national charter.

A new honorary senior society, known as Skull and Bones, has been started at Case. It is a secret organization, with the object mainly of friendship and good-fellowship. Bros. Cadle, De Forest and Miller are among the charter members. F. L. HICKOK.

Cleveland, December 7, 1903.

MICHIGAN ALPIIA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

The regular fall initiation of Michigan Alpha was held on the night of November 6. We present William H. Fürst, Chicago; Lewis S. Miner, Chicago; George R. Morrison, Oak Park, Ill.; John S. Curtis, Pueblo, Colo.; Parke H. McMullen, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Howard D. Davis, Toledo, Ohio; Harry G. Wills, Toledo, Ohio, and Charles H. Perrin, Jr., Moline, Ill. All are first year students with the exception of Bro. Miner, who is a senior in the literary department. He expects to enter the law department next year.

Bro. Curtis was awarded his M at the end of the football season. He played tackle and was one of the strongest and most consistent men on the team. The following men played on their class football teams: Bro. L. S. Miner, '04; Bro. C. H. Upmeyer, '04; Bro. M. L. Cushman, '06, and Bro. R. M. Lane, '06. Bro. A. E. Kusterer is leader of the 'varsity mandolin club and is on the invitation committee of the junior hop. Bro. C. C. Kusterer is on both the mandolin and banjo clubs and is a member of the interscholastic

committee. Bro. R. W. McMullen is financial secretary of the athletic association.

On the night of December 17 we had our Christmas dinner and tree. The Phis on the faculty, together with all the Phis in college, were in attendance. After the presents were distributed everybody 'loosened up' and the time was spent most enjoyably in singing songs and having a good time in general.

At the beginning of the football season the prospects for a championship team were rather gloomy, because of the loss of seven of the old men. Coach Yost, however, was equal to the occasion, and succeeded not only in turning out a team which won the championship of the West for the third successive time, but one of the best teams Michigan has ever seen. The prospects for next year are unusually bright, as most of this year's team will return to college.

The chapter has received from the librarian a number of old SCROLLS, which form a valuable addition to our library. The chapter is very grateful to the librarian. We still lack all of Volumes I and II, Volume III, No. 9; Volume IV, No. 7; Volume V, No. 1 and supplement; Volume X, No. 4, and Volume XIV, supplement.

The house is now completely finished and the new furniture has been put in place. The house will be dedicated by a 'housewarming' on March 15, the date of the annual banquet. The chapter is very proud of its new home and cordially invites all Phis to visit us.

CARL H. UPMAYER.

Ann Arbor, January 5, 1904.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

INDIANA ALPHA, INDIANA UNIVERSITY.

With this term Indiana University closes one of the most successful years in its history. The enrollment is larger than ever before. A number of new buildings and departments have been added. The university has won all possible honors in oratory and debate, and its athletic record is one any school should be proud of.

Five new professional departments have been established in the university. These new courses are journalism, commerce, manual training, architecture and medicine. By grouping work already given in the departments of English, history, economics and philosophy, and by adding a series of lectures by practical journalists of this state, the course in journalism will be equal to that offered in any school in the country. By grouping courses in fine arts, physics, mathematics and mechanics and the addition of a course in mechanical drawing, the departments of architecture and manual training will be made possible.

The course in medicine has been fixed at two years.

The site has been selected for the new law library, which will be one of the largest in the state, and will add much to this growing department.

Bro. Shaw is on the board of control of the co-operative association; Bro. Long is on the *Arbutus* board, and Bro. Smith on the board of the publishing association. Bro. Long has also recently been appointed baseball manager for the coming season.

Of last year's men, Bro. Markle has entered Swarthmore, having received a scholarship at that institution. Bros. Ayers and Cronin are in business at Hartford City, Ind. Bro. Kennedy, who received a government appointment last spring, was compelled to resign and return to his home on account of sickness.

Bro. Shaw, president of Strut and Fret dramatic society, is to put on a student minstrel during the coming term. He has received many requests to repeat the successful performance of last year.

Indiana was very successful in football this year. Eight of the 'varsity were placed on the all-Indiana team. Bro. Shirk has returned to finish his term's work. The fracture of a collar-bone in the Chicago-Indiana football game placed him in the doctor's care for six weeks.

Much newspaper comment was evoked by the alleged war between the fraternities at Indiana University. This war was mostly newspaper talk, and caused more comment outside the university than in. The trouble arose over college politics. Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Nu and Kappa Sigma were successful in having their men elected to office. The disappointed fraternities tried to persuade the sororities to blacklist the successful ones. The attempt failed, and all is quiet again. Phi Delta Theta has always taken a correct stand in college politics here and has nothing to fear from any of the other fraternities.

The university is prospering under the administration of our new president, William Lowe Bryan. He is a man well fitted for the place and has gained the friendship of the entire student body.

Since my last letter we have initiated William Seers, of this city. Bro. Seers is one among many men in this city whom we have won over other fraternities.

J. HARVEY SMITH.

Bloomington, December 14, 1903.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

The spiking season at Wabash opened November 1, and Indiana Beta has not been the loser by the agreement to defer spiking until that time. In fact, the advantage has been decidedly ours, as is evinced by the other fraternities here being unfavorable to the same agreement next year. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has pledged from the freshmen class Marion S. Leaning, of Goshen; Clarence B. Gwynn, of Terre Haute; Morgan Bogue, of Mishawaka; Edgar S. Fleming, of Fort Wayne; Glenn Henry and Frank Symmes, of Crawfordsville. Bros. Reed (pledged last year), Henry and Symmes were initiated last term.

Indiana Beta has been very careful this year in selecting her men, and we feel that we have pledged men who were built for good, loyal Phis. All are very active men in college and class circles.

The new chapterhouse was opened on January 1, and we now have every room full. As yet the house has not been thrown open to visitors, but our 'house warming' will doubtless occur near the middle of the term. On December 10 we gave a pillow shower in our hall and our friends responded even more loyally than we dared hope. This was the last function in the quarters which Indiana Beta has occupied ever since fraternity halls have been rented at Wabash.

The college has continued its rapid rise during the past term. Our football team scored 276 points against our opponents' 56.

Our first game of basketball was a victory of 34-26 over Rose Polytechnic. Bros. Henry and Reed are on the five. Bros. Boulton and Loop are also on the squad. The college gym is being remodeled in order to give more floor space for basketball.

The fraternities have memberships as follows: Beta Theta Pi, 9; Delta Tau Delta, 14; Kappa Sigma, 10; Phi Gamma Delta, 19; Phi Delta Theta, 21.

R. D. SCHROCK.
Crawfordsville, January 10, 1904.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

Since the last writing we have pledged Harry Vanarsdale, of Whiteland, Ind., who will be a valuable addition to our chapter. Bro. Bachelor, who was out of college the fall term, will be with us again after the vacation.

The football team of which Bro. Webb was captain defeated Hanover and Rose Polytechnic Institute, and lost to Earlham and Wabash, thus winning third place in the Indiana athletic league. There were five Phis on the team, and at the end of the season Bro. Silvers was chosen captain for next year. Five of the members of this year's team graduate, but some excellent new material was developed and the prospects for next season are encouraging.

At the meeting of the athletic association, of which Bro. Demming is treasurer, Bro. Neal was chosen business manager of the '04 football team, and Bro. Sellars business manager of the baseball team, of which Bro. Webb is captain. At that meeting a movement was started which, if carried out, will be a great help to athletics. It is proposed to add one dollar per term to the tuition fee, the money thus raised to be used for athletics, thus putting the department on a firm basis and providing for the better equipment of teams. Bro. Jewett was appointed representative on the Indiana athletic league board and was elected president at the first meeting of the board. Bro. Witt has been elected representative on the state oratorical board. In the primary oratorical contest Bro. Hall was the winner, defeating a man of two years' experience at Dennison University, and will represent the college in the state contest at Indianapolis.

Numerous stag functions have been given during the term, and on the evening of December 17 about three hundred of our friends were entertained at our annual fall reception in the chapter rooms.

FRANK A. WITT.
Franklin, January 7, 1904.

INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

A number of informal social functions given by Indiana Epsilon during the present term have given pleasure to her many loyal friends. The principal party of the term was held in the chapter hall on November 4.

The chapter, with resident alumni, will hold our annual banquet on January 15, at the Madison Hotel, in Madison, Ind.

At the fall election in athletics, Bro. Hatfield was chosen manager of the baseball team and Bro. Newton manager of the track team.

The success of the football team for the past season was suddenly

blighted by the death of one of the 'varsity players, Frank Shanklin, B. Θ. II., whose death was the result of injuries sustained in a practice game. In respect to Mr. Shanklin and his parents the team disbanded.

The basketball squad have developed an exceedingly strong team and hope to make an excellent showing in the schedule arranged for them by Bro. Patty.

In the literary society contest, which takes place next term, Bro. Sipe will appear as orator for the Philalethean society, while Bro. Snyder will represent the Union Literary society. Bro. Sipe spoke on the junior exhibition, a compliment to his college work.

From the reports of the chapterhouse committee the chapter bids fair to be in a house by spring. It depends largely on the support we receive from our alumni.

E. W. NEWTON.

Hanover, January 7, 1904.

INDIANA ZETA, DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

With December 22 De Pauw closes one of the most prosperous fall terms in years. The formal inauguration of Dr. Edwin H. Hughes took place December 6 to 9, inclusive. With the inauguration of Dr. Hughes a new era of prosperity for De Pauw is hoped for. The university now stands on a better footing financially than ever before, and new life has been developed in every department. The physics, chemistry and mathematics departments, which have been crowded for space and laboratory facilities, are now comfortably located in the new laboratory building, where there is sufficient room and equipment. The department of rhetoric and oratory has expanded, and an extra professor added. A department of elocution has also been established.

The inter-fraternity spirit and feeling this fall has been more pleasant than in the past few years, and lines have not been drawn so closely as heretofore. With few exceptions, namely, Δ K E and Φ K Ψ, the fraternities are stronger in number than last year. Φ K Ψ still leads the list with nineteen active men. ΦΔΘ is next with sixteen. Δ T Δ is the smallest, with only eight. The others range between ten and fourteen.

Indiana Zeta has enjoyed a prosperous term and has been represented in most of the university enterprises. Since our last letter Bro. Vansant has been elected delegate to the state oratorical association. Bro. Devers entered the preliminary oratorical contest, receiving second place. The chapter had no representative on the football team. Bro. Devers was elected to the board of the *Mirage*, the college annual, but owing to lack of time was compelled to resign.

The chapterhouse fund received some valuable additions from visiting alumni during the inauguration ceremonies.

The following are the initiates of this year: Dale Cartwright and Donald Hall, Portland, Ind.; Herbert Jones, Shelbyville, Ind.; Forrest Beyer, Kendallville, Ind.; Earl Beyer, Rochester, Ind.; Glenn Hawthorne, Wingate, Ind.

During the inauguration period there was an alumni reunion at the chapterhouse, at which the following alumni were present: Dr. G. F. Keeper, '87; C. W. Smith, '93; A. P. Burnside, '82; Frank

A. Preston, '94; Frank W. Foxworthy, '94; Francis E. Stults, '98,
and Smith C. Matson, '94. RAY C. HAWTHORNE.

Greencastle, December 20, 1903.

INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

Since the writing of our last letter a deep calamity has come upon Purdue and brought to all her sons a season of sorrow and depression. The effect of the accident at Indianapolis at the beginning of a day full of spirit and anticipation can be imagined in a large part, at least, by all college men, but the full force of the blow can be most readily appreciated by Brother Phis and by those who know the feeling when death breaks the bond.

From that time on a marked change has been evident about the university, for the common tie of sorrow has kindled a deeper spirit of college brotherhood and a truer love for one's alma mater. Indeed, we feel that the time is not far off when we shall see an outward growth and feel a newer life as the direct outcome of this period of mourning.

The effect of the wreck was distributed throughout all the university organizations, and though Phi Delta Theta was conspicuously affected no fraternity or society entirely escaped. In the death of Bro. Robertson we lost an example of truest manhood, and all who knew him loved him as a brother. By his death Phi Delta Theta everywhere has suffered. We are glad, however, to announce that Bros. I. H. Long and Hawthorne, and Mr. D. H. Long, pledged, are with us again, and that Bro. S. V. B. Miller has improved to such a degree that his removal from the hospital is expected before another month.

We wish at this time to express to all chapters our deepest appreciation of their kind notes of sympathy which came to us at the time of the wreck and to thank them most sincerely for their messages of brotherly love. Never before had the meaning of the bond been made so evident.

Since the holidays all members of our chapter have returned, and with the new year college festivities have reopened. Much attention is now being given to basketball, which has just begun its schedule, the first game of the season having been played and won. O. F. Cutts, who was engaged during the past season in the capacity of football coach, has been engaged by the athletic association as athletic director for the ensuing year. Under his leadership much is expected, and a higher standard and better quality of athletics is looked for. The subscriptions for the Memorial Gymnasium, to be built as a monument to those who lost their life in the recent accident, are steadily coming in, and through the efforts of the alumni and the Lafayette citizens' committee the realization of a one hundred thousand dollar gymnasium is practically assured.

The Pan-Council is endeavoring to secure the permission of the faculty to initiate pledges at some date earlier than April 1, which has heretofore been the ruling. The outcome of the effort is uncertain.

Bros. B. B. Minor, '04, and E. R. Johnson, '04, were compelled to leave the university in October on account of ill health. It is doubtful that they shall be able to return this year.

We take great pleasure in announcing the marriage of Bro. Llew-

ellyn Williams, Jr., '01, to Miss Luetta Jane Ross, of Lafayette, which occurred November 25.

Indiana Theta has been fortunate in having visits from numerous alumni during the past year. SAMUEL G. CLIFFORD.

West Lafayette, January 11, 1904.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter Illinois Alpha has initiated Ned Conley, Larry Barker, Leon Hebbelthwaite, all of Evanston; Elmer Albritton, of Williamsport, Pa.; Flint Bondurant, of Cairo, Ill., and Harold Romans, of Denison, Iowa. Max Murdock is pledged and Herbert White, of Evanston, will enter college and be initiated the second semester. Bro. Chauncey Colton, of Dartmouth, has been affiliated with us. Our chapter now has eighteen active members, the largest number that Illinois Alpha has had for some years.

Northwestern closed a very successful football season. We have only one defeat to our discredit, and that by an eastern team. Coach McCornack has done wonders for the team and has won for himself a place in the hearts of all the students because of his qualities as a coach and a gentleman. Bro. Allen was unanimously elected captain for next year.

For several years the Northwestern students have been disappointed by the false rumors concerning a new gymnasium. But the combined efforts of President James and prominent alumni have made it reasonable for us to hope. They have assured us that in a year from present writing we shall be able to enjoy the advantages of the much needed and much hoped for gymnasium.

It has been very unfortunate for the university at large that the professional schools have been located in Chicago. This separation of the departments has made it very difficult to induce men to come to Evanston for athletic training. But our president, coach and director of athletics have succeeded in interesting the professional students. There is a noticeable increase of college spirit and closer relations have been established between the college of liberal arts and the professional schools.

This fall Illinois Alpha has been most unfortunate in losing by death one of her most beloved alumni, Bro. James Stoll. A detailed account of his life will appear in a later edition of THE SCROLL.

Prof. George W. Hough, one of the most famous members of Northwestern's faculty, and an astronomical authority the world over, has just been elected to associate membership in the Royal Astronomical Society of London. This is one of the greatest honors that can be granted to an astronomer, and Northwestern can well be proud of her old and honored professor. OLIN A. WAKEMAN.

Evanston, December 15, 1903.

ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The university has, in the completion of the group of buildings known to the student body as the tower group, added not only something to her attractiveness, but has given the students a general

assembling place. The group includes Hutchinson Hall, the Tower, and the Reynolds Club. Hutchinson Hall is given over wholly to the men for a dining hall; the Tower, copied from the Magdalene Tower at Oxford, may be used for trophies captured by our athletic teams, and the Reynolds Club contains a library for general reading matter, such as magazines, periodicals and newspapers, a billiard hall, bowling alleys and committee rooms for student organizations. A student club has been formed, to be known as the Reynolds Club, the members of which have the privilege of the use of the library, billiard hall and alleys. This club is the most important of the student organizations, and will no doubt aid in building up a closer fellowship among the student body.

Among Illinois Beta's prominent men in university activities are A. C. Ellsworth, captain of the football team; Speik, Ahlsweede, Catlin and Nordenholz (the latter a pledge), team-mates. Bros. Sheldon and Harper are assisting in the coaching. O. B. Wyman is managing editor of the *Daily Maroon*, and Thomas J. Meek represents the university in the Hamilton oratorical contest.

Illinois Beta was prevented from attending in a body the banquet given in honor of Gen. John C. Black and Judge F. A. Smith on the evening of October 28. We who were not needed at Madison to play football were present and enjoyed a most pleasant and profitable evening. The speeches were good, and Bro. Dick Little was there with his usual supply of witty remarks, which he used to good effect.

Our younger alumni have become so scattered of late that it has been almost impossible to keep in touch with them. Bros. Sheldon and Harper are both assisting in coaching the football men at the university; Bro. Minor has a position at Waukegan as chemist for the American Glucose Company; Bro. Lybrand is in Indianapolis with the *Star* as assistant sporting editor; Bro. McLeish has a position in New York city in Wanamaker's store. Bro. Dick Little has been sick with typhoid fever for nearly two weeks. At last reports he was 'doing his best to get well,' so he said. A. R. NOWELS.

Chicago, November 27, 1903.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL several new additions have been made to the chapter-roll of Illinois Delta. On the evening of November 13 four men were initiated, and the chapter takes pleasure in introducing to the fraternity Bros. Harry O. Snyder, Arcola, Ill.; James G. Porter, New Salem, Pa.; Harold Spinner, Galesburg, Ill., and Ward Mariner, Galesburg, Ill. The initiation was also made the occasion of a pleasant banquet in Spahr's hall. There have, furthermore, been three men pledged: Harry Ehrhart, Arcola, Ill.; Franklin C. Howell, Iberia, Mo., and S. Gale Lawrie, Niles, Mich.

From the honors which have been bestowed on various ones of our members, it will be seen that $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is taking a prominent part in Knox life. All five of our seniors, Bros. Heinly, Williamson, Booz, Allison and Sheffert, are in the senior play, taking leading parts. On December 2 pledge F. C. Howell was chosen captain of the '04 football team, and about a week later Bro. Egerton was without opposition made manager of next year's football team.

Knox has also had the honor of winning one of the four places on the oratorical contest of the Hamilton Club of Chicago. The contest is to take place early in January, the competing schools in the preliminaries having been seven of the large universities and Knox College.

One of the most delightful fraternity functions occurring at Knox for somé time past was the pan-hellenic smoker given by Illinois Delta at their house, December 5, to the members of the other fraternities in college. This idea of inter-fraternity entertainment is new at Knox, but it seems quite generally felt that $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has done much toward bringing about more cordial relations between the various fraternities at Knox.

On November 31 the chapter gave an enjoyable party in Central hall.

We wish to thank Nebraska Alpha for the kind treatment given to the brothers on the football team during its recent visit in Lincoln, and to extend to the members of that chapter, and to all Phis, our invitation to visit us when in town. KELLOGG D. McCLELLAND.

Galesburg, December 15, 1903.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD COLLEGE.

The chapter early in the year settled down to constructive work, giving its main attention to making the new men proficient in fraternity duties and duly appreciative of the fraternity spirit. Toward the close of the fall term Bros. Brown, Justus, Alvord and Skinner, all of the freshman class, were initiated, making a chapter of ten active men and two pledges. The older men look with gratification upon the integral strength given the chapter by unity and the unusual aptitude of the new men in grasping the spirit and taking hold of the work. As much responsibility is being put upon the new men as is consistent with the present needs of the chapter. This has seemed the proper policy to pursue in order to insure the strength of the returning chapter next year, in view of the fact that five of the older men are candidates for graduation.

The football season ended with a glorious record for Lombard. She was not defeated by any institution of her class, and her goal line was crossed only once, Washington University having that honor on a fluke. Decisive victories were won over Monmouth, Knox, Washington University and the Peoria Socials. Five Phis won their 'L' on the gridiron: Bros. Andreen, Jansen, Ayars, Justus and Alford. This success in athletics has set a higher standard throughout the whole college life. Its effect is seen in the work of the literary societies and in other lines.

The seniors recently won a decisive victory over the juniors when the '04 colors were first shown to the world. FRANK C. AYARS.

Galesburg, December 20, 1903.

ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The state legislature at its last session appropriated over \$900,000 to the university, the engineering and agricultural departments receiving the largest amounts. The equipment of every branch of the engineering department is being improved, and a new department

has been organized for advanced research in engineering lines. New and extensive stone barns are to be erected for the agricultural department and are to be good specimens of architecture. The contract for a woman's building has been let. More land has been bought by the university, and when the plan has been completely worked out Burril avenue will run through the center of the campus, with the buildings on either side.

Illinois Eta has now a membership of twenty-nine, and two pledges. Storm Crie, of Chicago, and John Hazelwood were initiated in December. Bros. Martin and Lewie Hertz, of Chicago, will not return after the holidays.

A banquet was given at the chapterhouse on Thanksgiving evening, the guests being the young ladies who were to attend the party given later in the evening. Our annual party is to be held on February 12, and we cordially invite all our alumni and other Phis to attend the party, and also the banquet on the following evening.

Illinois Eta is represented in many lines of university life. Bros. Rothgeb and Hazelwood are on the 'varsity football team. We have three men on the class teams, three on the glee and mandolin clubs and junior and sophomore class presidents.

The alumni housebuilding association has been incorporated under the state laws, officers elected and by-laws adopted. The chapterhouse building project is in the hands of a board of control consisting of three alumni and two members of the active chapter.

Champaign, December 21, 1903.

F. W. CUTLER.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

The University of Wisconsin will, no doubt, make more rapid advancement under the policy of its new president, C. R. Van Hise, than it has in most preceding years. President Van Hise has expressed himself as advocating the dormitory system, and attempts will be made to secure donations to this end from other sources than the state. The erection of a new \$100,000 chemistry building will be commenced shortly. This will prove a valuable addition, since the present building furnishes but poor accommodations to the large number of students taking the course.

The tournament games of the newly organized inter-fraternity chess and bowling clubs are well under way, and the indications are that the clubs will become permanent organizations.

Wisconsin Alpha has been unfortunate in the loss of two active members this fall. Bro. James A. Walker, '04, of Rockford, Ill., who entered college this fall to complete his course in engineering, after having been absent for two years because of poor health, was again obliged to leave a short time after the opening of school. Bro. Robert L. Grant, '04, of Milwaukee, who has been suffering with pleurisy during the past month, has given up his work and will spend the winter in the South. One of our pledged men, Roumaine Tolles, of Eau Claire, Wis., was unable to enter this fall and take the work which he desired, because of a deficiency in his required preparatory work. The chapter recently entertained and pledged Paul G. Hawley, of Aurora, Ill., thus increasing the number of pledged men who will enter college next fall.

Bro. Chester B. Roberts, '06, has been elected manager of the

university basketball team, and Bro. Jesse Higbee, law '05, has been initiated into the honorary law fraternity of Phi Delta Phi. Bro. Horatio G. Winslow, '04, editor-in-chief of *The Sphinx*, the university comic paper, has been chosen associate editor of the *Wisconsin Literary Magazine*, a new publication which will be issued within the next month. Those of the brothers who have received class numerals for football work this fall are Chester B. Roberts and Clyde E. Osborne, '06, and Arthur G. Sullivan, '07. Bro. George Pritchard, '05, is a member of the junior prom. committee.

'The Strange Adventures of Mr. Middleton,' by Bro. Wardon Allan Curtis, '89, has recently left the hands of the publishers, Herbert Stone & Co., of Chicago, and been placed on sale. The book has met with very favorable criticism. Bro. Allen L. Colton, a charter member of Michigan Alpha, holds the position of quizmaster in physics this year at Wisconsin.

The chapter has lately received announcements of the marriages of Bro. Nelson J. Wilcox, '01, of St. Paul, Minn., and Bro. William H. Mann, '97, of Chicago.

WALTER I. SLEEP.

Madison, December 20, 1903.

MINNESOTA ALPHA. UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Since the last issue of THE SCROLL Minnesota Alpha has initiated two new men, Bros. George Muller and Oliver Andriesen.

The junior ball, to occur January 29, is the all-absorbing function in every one's mind at present. Phi Delta Theta is well represented in this year's organization, the following brothers holding office: Bradley Gibson, treasurer; James Armstrong, refreshment committee; Edmund Parker, printing committee, and Elmer Bisbee, press committee.

The university dramatic club has made a tour through six towns in the state, meeting with great success everywhere. The club spent the week following Christmas visiting Rochester, Winona, Red Wing, Owatonna, Willmar and Litchfield. Bro. Brown is president of the club.

Bro. Feisberg has recently been initiated into Nu Sigma Nu, medical, and Bro. Chase into Delta Chi, law. Bro. Chase has also been elected to Song and Stein, an inter-fraternity senior society. Bro. Parker is first-sergeant in the battalion.

Minnesota Alpha is taking active measures towards building a chapterhouse; every member of the active chapter has signed notes, as well as a number of alumni. Two thousand five hundred dollars have been subscribed and although our present home is roomy and comfortable, yet we hope that this season will end our renting and see us in a chapterhouse of our own.

Bro. Armstrong is on the track team, and Bro. Zanner is pitcher on the indoor baseball team.

Several of our younger alumni who left college last spring are engaged in business near Minneapolis. Among these are Bro. George Honene, who is a dentist at Lanesboro; and Bro. J. M. Powell, with the James Quirk Milling Co., at Waterville. Bro. Sowle, '03, is in Denver, Colo., looking after mining interests which he controls there.

CYRUS BROWN.

Minneapolis, January 5, 1904.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

Missouri Alpha takes pleasure in introducing two new Phis who were initiated since our last letter, Bros. Walter C. Logan, of Hannibal, Mo., and Henry Stephens, of Kansas City. Mr. T. Wilson Switzler, of Omaha, Neb., is a new pledge.

Bro. David Robertson left school in October to accept a position with the Illinois Glass Co., at Alton, Ill. Bro. A. S. Neilson, of Nebraska Alpha, has accepted an instructorship in the university, and has been in the chapterhouse since November. Bro. Eby Ryley expects to enter school soon after the holidays. We are expecting other good men back, both then and at the beginning of the second semester.

The chapter has recently been honored by the election of another of its members to $\Phi\Delta\Phi$, the honorary law fraternity. Bro. R. S. Houck's election gives us two men in that fraternity this year, they being our only two upper-classmen in the law department. Bro. J. V. Hewitt was chosen representative of the Athenean debating society in the proposed oratorical league of universities of the Missouri Valley. Bro. Logan is president of the freshman engineers, and Bros. Secord and Ridge are president and vice-president of the '07 academics. Mr. Robert T. Branham (pledge) was captain of his class football team.

It is rather late to say anything about football results here this year, but friends of the university will be glad to know that Coach McLean will, unless something unforeseen occurs, be with us again next year. Our chapter was very unfortunate on the gridiron this season. Of the five men we had on the squad four were compelled to stop practice on account of sickness or broken limbs.

In the university improvement and progress are evident everywhere. The alumni committee is making commendable effort to kindle true 'varsity spirit in every alumnus. All the larger towns in the state now have alumni clubs, and, in addition, the state has been divided into sections, each with its organized club. In the same manner the student body is being organized, and already there are the St. Louis Club, the Southwest Missouri Club, the St. Joseph Club, and others. The work of grading and filling in parts of the campus has gone on steadily notwithstanding the cold weather. Granitoid walks and terraces along the street will add greatly to the already beautiful campus. Ground will be broken in the spring for several new buildings.

We wish to acknowledge with pleasure visits from many old Phis, both of our own and sister chapters. We hope that none will pass through Columbia without paying us a visit.

Columbia, December 18, 1903.

R. D. GORDON.

MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Since our last letter has occurred one of the most important events in the history of Westminster College, the celebration of the semicentennial of its founding. Several hundred alumni were present, and the celebration coincident with the meeting of the northern and southern synods of the Presbyterian church, made the occasion one not soon to be forgotten. Dr. John H. MacCracken, of New

York University, former president of Westminster, to whose untiring zeal the institution owes so much, was a guest of the college.

About thirty alumni of Missouri Beta were present, and the active chapter thoroughly enjoyed meeting the old men. It gave us great pleasure to have the alumni assist us in the initiation of Bro. Charles A. Calvird, '07, of Clinton, Mo.

In football Westminster has been most successful. Although severely crippled by the loss of Bro. Seibert, captain and left half, the team won a majority of its games. On October 23 we gained a signal victory over William Jewell College, the score being 11 to 6. Our last game, with Central College, will occur Thanksgiving Day. On the team are Bros. Nesbitt, Soule, Calvird and Miller.

Missouri Beta is now comfortably located in a new hall, having lately removed to quarters over the Red Cross drug store. The change affords us a much larger and more desirable hall for our weekly meetings and initiations.

On Saturday, November 21, occurred the death of Judge John A. Hockaday, president of the board of trustees of Westminster College. Judge Hockaday was foremost in everything pertaining to the college, and Westminster sustains a severe loss in his death.

The present membership of the fraternities here is as follows, the number of new men being in parenthesis: K A, 11 (3); B Θ II, 10 (2); Φ Δ Θ, 14 (5). W. A. SOULE.

Fulton, November 23, 1903.

MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

Missouri Gamma takes pleasure in introducing five new brothers to the fraternity, Bros. Randolph, Fisher, Edwards and Reader, all of '07, and Dodd, who is a special. We also have two men pledged, Messrs. Rippley and Rembert, who we expect to initiate during the winter.

The chapter is in excellent condition in every respect. We find opposition growing in the other fraternities, especially in some of the recently organized chapters. On account of their large membership they are able to cause us some trouble in elections, but so far all the men they have gotten into office have been highly incapable, which is more harmful than beneficial to their purposes.

Missouri Gamma gives a smoker New Year's night to her alumni, to which any visiting Phis will be heartily welcome.

Washington University had a very successful football season this year and made a better showing in that line than we have for some seasons past. Great credit is due to Coach Boynton.

Work is now under way to bring the literary society here up to the proper standards. The society has been in rather a poor condition owing to lack of general interest, but it is being taken up by some good men, and we have no doubt that they will make something out of it.

Bro. Eliot is editor-in-chief of the coming year book, and he and his assistants have been at work on it for several weeks now. Our first annual was published last year, and although the book itself was very satisfactory, the management was unbusinesslike and altogether unsatisfactory.

G. L. ALLEN, JR.
St. Louis, December 14, 1903.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

The growth of the University of Kansas has been more rapid during the past five years than at any other period of its existence. During that time two new buildings have been erected and work will soon commence on a third, which will give the space required by the increased attendance. The advisability of establishing a school of journalism is now under consideration, but nothing definite has yet taken place.

On October 12 we initiated Bro. Wirt G. McCarty, Emporia, Kan., and have since pledged Frank Relihan, Smith Centre, Kan.

Our honor roll is exceptionally long this year and many positions of distinction have fallen to us. Bros. Neff and Shaw are on the *Kansas University Weekly* executive board. Bro. Flint is president of the engineering class. Bro. H. Relihan is treasurer of the sophomore class. Bro. Herrick took the leading part in the dramatic club's presentation of 'Alabama.' Bros. Moses and De Lano are members of $\Phi\Delta\Phi$ (law), and Bros. Sexton, Henser and Moses were elected to $\Theta\ N\ E$. 'Ks' were awarded to Bros. Cooke and Fleishman for work on the football team. This makes eight letters awarded to members of Kansas Alpha out of the sixteen held by fraternity men.

About the middle of November Bro. Charles F. Lamkin, president of Zeta province, favored us with a short visit, which every member of the chapter recalls with pleasure. One very enjoyable feature of his visit was the installation of a chapter of $\Sigma\ II\ A$. We hope Bro. Lamkin will come oftener and stay longer. We were also pleased to receive a visit from several of the Nebraska Alpha chapter, who attended the Kansas-Nebraska football game November 14. General John C. Black honored us with a visit early in the fall, and we have also entertained two of our own alumni, Captain E. L. Glasgow and Lieutenant E. H. Agnew, who are stationed at Fort Leavenworth.

Fifteen members of the chapter attended the annual Thanksgiving banquet at Kansas City, November 26. This was also the election meeting of the Kansas City alumni club, and Bro. Fred Seddon, '03, was made secretary.

There is a decided increase in numerical strength among the fraternities over last year and all occupy houses for the first time since fraternities entered the institution. The number enrolled by each chapter here is as follows: $B\ \Theta\ II$, 22; $\Phi\ \Gamma\ \Delta$, 16; $\Sigma\ A\ E$, 20; $\Sigma\ X$, 27; $\Sigma\ N$, 15; $A\ T\ \Omega$, 20; $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$, 17, and $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, 21.

Lawrence, December 10, 1903.

JOHN L. STARKIE.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

The university has just finished another season of football with a record hard to beat, our goal being only twice crossed. The Illinois team was so well pleased with the treatment received while at Lincoln that they have decided to play here again next Thanksgiving.

About fifteen Phis went to Lawrence to witness the Kansas-Nebraska game, and were royally entertained by the brothers of Kansas Alpha. Going to Kansas and seeing the house there has started the chapterhouse question with Nebraska, it has opened our eyes to the fact that we must own our house in the near future to insure big improvements in our chapter.

One of the newest things in the pan-hellenic circles here was a banquet in honor of the football team, where some two hundred fraternity men gathered, singing songs, giving the college cheers and hearing toasts from our coach and former captains. This is one of the most effective steps ever taken to get the freshmen of the different fraternities acquainted. The hall was decorated with footballs and the university colors. The banquet will doubtless be an annual affair hereafter.

Michigan, the crack team of the 'big nine' for the last two years, has proposed a game with Nebraska, whose record for the past two seasons has been so brilliant.

CHARLES STUART.

Lincoln, December 4, 1903.

COLORADO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

Colorado Alpha wishes to introduce to the fraternity Bros. Ferguson, '07, Bakersfield, Cal.; Tiffany, '07, Longmont, Colo., and Annis, '07, Fort Collins, Colo., who have been initiated since our last letter to THE SCROLL. We now have sixteen active men, with thirteen in the chapterhouse.

The football squad has just completed a very successful season, having easily won the state championship. Kansas defeated us by a score of 12 to 11, and Nebraska, 31 to 0. Thanksgiving the Missouri School of Mines was defeated at Boulder by a score of 39 to 0 in thirty-nine minutes of play, and was so crippled that the game had to be called four minutes after the opening of the second half. Bros. Cook and Fleishman, of the Kansas team, and Black, of the Missouri School of Mines team, visited the chapter.

Bro. Annis is playing on the basketball team, and Bro. Strayer is captain of the baseball team.

The university feels deeply the loss occasioned by the deaths of Dr. Allin and Prof. Crouch. Prof. Green, late of Cornell, has taken charge of the mechanical engineering department. Dr. Ramaley has just left for the far East on a year's leave of absence to make a study of the animal life found there.

LOUIS G. KELLER.

Boulder, December 17, 1903.

ETA PROVINCE.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

Mississippi Alpha must begin her first letter of the season with an apology for not having a letter in the October SCROLL. We lost nine men by graduation last year, one of whom returned this year to take law. Bro. Magruder left school early last session to accept a position as civil engineer on the road from Natchez to the gulf. Bro. Barrett, '05, went to Vanderbilt. Bro. Ethridge, '05, married during the middle of the session. Bros. Draw, McCool and Bourdeaux could not return this fall, but expect to be back again next year. We were much weakened by this loss, having returned but four men, Bros. Henry, J. S. and W. G. Yerger and Kimbrough. However, we have won our full share of victories over our rivals, and take great pleasure in presenting to the fraternity Bros. Robert

Somerville, Frank L. Fair, Arthur A. Howze, Fred M. Witty, Maurice Bray and Edward C. Coleman. This gives us a chapter of ten, and Bros. Bem Price and F. Z. Brown will be with us after Christmas.

On the football team we had more men than any other fraternity. Our representatives on the varsity were Bros. Fair, left end; J. S. Yerger, full back; Kimbrough, left half, while Bros. W. G. Yerger and Somerville were subs. Bro. Fair is also manager and captain of the freshman class baseball team. Bro. Somerville is manager and captain of the freshman football team, while Bros. Coleman and J. S. Yerger are vice-president and chaplain of that class. Bro. Kimbrough is manager and captain of field sports.

On the magazine board are Bros. Henry and Kimbrough. Bro. Henry is also a member of the board of control of the athletic association.

A number of honors taken during the latter part of last session, which have never been reported to THE SCROLL, are herewith noted.

It is customary for the five highest men in law to write theses in competition for a set of law books valued at \$200, given by the Edward Thompson Publishing Company. Out of these five men $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ had three, Bros. Bourdeaux winning the books and Bros. Whittington and Sawyer tying for second place. Bro. Bourdeaux was elected valedictorian, but declined, and Bro. Whittington was appointed by the faculty in his place. Bro. Whittington having been elected anniversarian, declined, and Bro. Sawyer was chosen in his place. Bros. Bourdeaux, Adams and Whittington were also selected by the faculty as commencement speakers. Bro. Henry won the English prize offered for the best short story, and also spoke in the senior debate. Bro. Kimbrough won second freshman medal in the declamatory contest. On field day Bro. J. S. Yerger won second place in the pole vault and in the half-mile run. Bro. Kimbrough won the pole vault, hop, step and jump, high jump, and second place in the 120-yard hurdle, and in the shotput. O. L. KIMBROUGH.

December 3, 1903.

LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have initiated two men, Bro. W. H. Howcott, '07, and Bro. E. Denis, '07. Louisiana Alpha is in a flourishing condition, and before the year is over expects to accomplish great things.

In the football season just finished Tulane made a better showing than was expected. Opening the season with a very weak team, she steadily gained strength, holding Cumberland down to 28 to 0, and on Thanksgiving Day we beat Richmond 18-5. We closed the season with Mississippi H. and M. in a tie game.

The following fraternities are at Tulane: $K\Lambda$, $\Sigma\Alpha\Xi$, $K\Sigma$, ΣX , $\Alpha\Tau\Omega$, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, $\Delta\Tau\Delta$, $\Phi\Kappa\Sigma$, ΣN , $\Delta\Kappa E$ and $\Pi\Kappa A$. $\Pi\Kappa A$ was installed in the early part of October, and is the latest addition to the Greek world.

J. H. LEWIS.

New Orleans, December 12, 1903.

TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have initiated no new men, but have given the co-eds the field for a while, during which time they have organized two sororities (local). The Alpha Deltas were the first to announce their existence, and were followed shortly by the Delta Phis.

Not only have the co-eds been busy on their own account, but their kindness has been manifested to the brothers of Texas Gamma more than ever. Phi sisters, both of the town and of the university, have beautified our chapterhouse with gifts that make the house appear very cozy and perfectly homelike.

Texas Gamma has received her usual goodly share of honors. Bros. Cooper has been elected editor-in-chief of the '*Sou'wester*'; Bro. Cody is assistant business manager and Bro. Webb one of the sub-editors of the same. Bro. Cooper has been chosen one of the debaters for an inter-collegiate debate, which will materialize in the near future. Bro. Wilcox is president of the senior class. Although there are only two Phis in this class it has had a Phi president from the freshman year up. Bro. Carrell is president of the sophomore class, while Bro. Cody has been unanimously re-elected treasurer of the athletic association. Bros. Ables, Cody and Graves are members of the executive committee of that association. Bro. Campbell was elected marshal from the San Jacinto society and Bro. Cody is a member of the lecture committee from the Alamos. The glee club, of which Bro. Kurth is manager, will give the first concert on next Thursday evening. Texas Gamma has two representatives on the club.

Southwestern, after receiving an informal invitation from one of the members of the Southern inter-collegiate athletic association, has made formal application for membership in that organization, and we feel sure will be admitted.

The prospects for our track and baseball teams are flattering. Phi Delta Theta will put out several likely candidates for both teams. Bro. Ables made quite a reputation as a pitcher last year, and this spring he will undoubtedly prove to be one of the best in the South.

The chapter regrets that several of our alumni have left Georgetown to locate elsewhere and that others are to leave in the near future. Bro. R. A. John, a charter member of the chapter, is now practicing law in Beaumont. Bro. R. L. Penn, another of our charter members, is judge of this district, and resides in Austin. Bro. W. G. Swenson, '01, is a banker in Abilene. Bro. R. F. Young, Jr., has gone to Chihuahua, Mexico, where he is in business. Bro. R. F. Henderson is with the Methodist Publishing House at Dallas. The chapter enjoyed a short visit from Bro. C. W. Batsell, recently, who is assistant county attorney of Grayson county, residing in Sherman. Bro. James Gilgore is commissioner of education from the Methodist conferences of Texas. Bro. C. A. Wilcox is county judge of this county. Bro. John H. Foster, M. D., is assistant superintendent of the state insane asylum at Austin. Bro. T. N. Graves, ex-'04, visited us a few days this month.

IRELAND GRAVES.

Georgetown, December 16, 1903.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD, JR., UNIVERSITY.

Tomorrow ends the first semester's work at Stanford University. This has been a very favorable year so far for California Beta. We have taken in eight new men, the best there are, and have not lost a man to any other fraternity. Bro. Clark was elected captain of next year's football team on the first ballot. Having played left end on the 'varsity for three years, next year will be his last on the gridiron because of the agreement between the University of California and Stanford. Bro. Chalmers played half in the intercollegiate game, which is an honor few freshmen attain. Bros. Bogle, Guyer, Taylor and Gamble will be back next semester, and California Beta will be stronger than ever. Bro. Colbert will represent Phi Delta Theta on the baseball diamond. Bros. Frisselle and Chambers will make the glee club trip.

Work on the new buildings has ceased owing to difficulties with union labor, and from the present outlook the new gymnasium will not be completed for some years.

Scott Brooks, organist of the Stanford Memorial Church, will have charge of the Harris organ at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis.

The Stanford stock farm, which has in the past produced so many famous trotters, will soon be a thing of the past. Most of the stock has been sold and what remains will be disposed of as rapidly as possible.

FRANK A. KITCHING.

Stanford, December 17, 1903.

WASHINGTON ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

The University of Washington has concluded the most successful football season in its history. The team defeated every opponent and won the championship of the Pacific coast. This great victory places the university upon a plane with Stanford and the University of California in athletics. We will meet both the southern institutions next spring upon the water and track.

For the annual Thanksgiving reunion invitations were sent to all the Phis in Washington, Idaho and Oregon. Several old Phis attended and the dinner was a great success. Coach Griffiths, Iowa Alpha, was in the city with the Idaho football team.

The musical clubs have organized, and $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is represented by eight men. The chapter is making itself felt in student activities. Aside from the eight men on the musical clubs, Bro. Millett is manager of the college paper, while Bros. Grinstead, Hastings and Kirkman hold important positions upon its staff. Bro. McGinn is editor of the junior annual. Bro. Brackett represented us in football. Bros. Sailer and Hoover are in the orchestra. Bros. Hanson and McGinn are members of the executive committee. Bro. Fred Hastings has entered the oratorical contest, and Bros. Phillips and Grinstead will try for the debating teams.

Two men from the Tacoma high school have been pledged for next year.

During the past month we have been visited by the following Phis:

Bros. Chamberlain and Neuvis, Illinois Eta; Bro. Charles W. Clarke, California Alpha; Bro. Captain Edgar R. Russel, Missouri Alpha; Bro. Williams, Indiana Theta; Bro. Hartley, California Alpha; Bro. Captain Chandler, Ohio Eta; Bro. Pooler, Wisconsin Alpha; Bro. Trefethen, Massachusetts Alpha; Bros. Gaches, Tennent and Brightman, alumni of this chapter, and Bro. Boyle, of California Beta.

Among the many interesting personages who have visited the university this fall are Chief Joseph, of the Nez Perces, and Red Thunder, of the Oregon Indians. Since his great campaign against Gen. Miles, Joseph has been excluded from his home, and is now going about in an endeavor to create public sympathy, which will eventually cause his return. He addressed the assembled students in a very forceful manner, and made a remarkable figure clad in all the glorious accouterments of a war chief.

The Phi Delt Path, which is one of the university landmarks, has been graded and lighted, thus causing its future popularity to hang in the balance.

WILBUR D. KIRKMAN.

Seattle, December 1, 1903.

PERSONAL.

North Carolina—Frank Smathers, '03, is practicing law in Atlantic City, N. J.

Brown—Arthur L. Eno, '95, is teaching in the University of Texas, Austin, Texas.

Kentucky State—Richard W. Ellis, '03, is associated with the Sturtevant Machine Co., of Boston, Mass.

Gettysburg—John E. Meisenhelder, '97, is resident surgeon of the Moses Taylor Hospital, at Scranton, Pa.

Missouri—James M. Denny, '92, is a banker at Marshall, Mo. He was married in October to Miss Alma M. Siler.

Purdue—Llewellyn Williams, Jr., '01, was married at Lafayette, Ind., on November 25 to Miss Luetta Jane Ross.

Missouri—Harry S. Jacks, '97, was married to Miss Lucile Washington on June 10, 1903, at Montgomery City, Mo.

Colby—David F. Smith, '89, is judge of the Eleventh Judicial District of the State of Montana, with residence at Kalispell.

Kansas—E. F. Caldwell, '85, one of the charter members of Kansas Alpha, was married December 1, 1903, at Kansas City, Mo.

Indianapolis—Charles C. Riley, '83, has removed from Minneapolis, Minn., to Passaic, N. J., where he is with the Erie Railway Company.

Central—Marshall H. Guerrant, '92, of Lexington, Ky., was married August 20, 1903, at Mackinac, Mich., to Miss Mary Robertson Sparks.

Mississippi—Robert L. Lewis, '94, is president of the Columbus Machinery Co., manufacturers of cotton seed oil machinery, at Columbus, Miss.

Missouri—Jouett H. Shouse, '99, has recently been offered the chair of journalism in Kentucky State College. Mr. Shouse has been on the editorial staff of the Lexington (Ky.) *Daily News* for some years, and is an able newspaper man.

Miami—‘The Future of the Isthmus’ is a noteworthy article appearing in *The Criterion* for December from the pen of Edwin Emerson, Jr., ‘89.

Dartmouth—Herbert J. Hapgood, ‘96, president of Hapgood’s, 309 Broadway, New York, has recently been elected a director of the Brooklyn Latin school.

Iowa Wesleyan—Thomas N. Carver, ‘87, who is a professor of economics at Harvard, is a frequent contributor to *The World’s Work* and other magazines.

Iowa Wesleyan—Ed. W. Hearne, ‘94, is State secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in New Jersey, and Ira E. Lute, ‘97, is general secretary at Camden, in the same state.

Indiana—Edward E. Ruby, ‘98, joint editor of the catalogue, removed in September to Walla Walla, Washington, where he is professor of Latin in Whitman College.

Missouri—Dr. T. J. J. See, ‘89, of the United States Naval Observatory at Washington, is a recent contributor to the *Atlantic Monthly* on ‘The Blue Color of the Sky.’

Michigan—Ervin E. Ewell, ‘91, has moved his residence from Washington, D. C., to Atlanta, Ga., where he is connected with the German Kali Works, 22½ Broad street.

Judge William H. Thomas, *Emory*, ‘87, and Fred S. Ball, *Ohio State*, ‘88, of Montgomery, Ala., have each endowed a scholarship in Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

De Pauw—Ephraim Marsh, ‘70, who is a leading attorney at Greenfield, Ind., was one of the four Indiana Masons who received the thirty-third degree at Boston the past fall.

C. C. N. Y.—Julius M. Mayer, ‘84, has been reappointed judge of the Court of Special Sessions of the city of New York. The term is for ten years, at a salary of \$9,000 per year.

Vanderbilt—Judge Wm. H. Jackson, ‘85, has moved from Cincinnati to New York City and is practicing law, his office being in the Corn Exchange Building, 15 William street.

Brown—Clinton C. White, ‘00, of Providence, who is assistant manager for the Equitable Life Society in Rhode Island, was married on November 18 to Miss Muzetta F. Budlong.

Missouri—Charles G. Haines, '93, was married on September 1 to Miss Alma L. Bower, at Kansas City, Mo. Bro. Haines resides at 'The Adelbert,' 514 East Ninth street, Kansas City.

Iowa Wesleyan—Arthur Lewis McCauley, '99, was married to Miss Alma Law, at Chariton, Iowa, on December 24. Bro. McCauley is connected with a business college at Dallas, Texas.

Columbia—Herman S. Riederer, Ph. D., '03, has resigned his position as chemist with the Passaic Print Works, Passaic, N. J., to become connected with the Coloplatin Co., of Newton, N. J.

Wisconsin—Franklin Sweet, '93, was married at Champaign, N. Y., on June 24, 1903, to Miss Carrie May Dickinson. Bro. Sweet is with the Browning Manufacturing Co., at Milwaukee, Wis.

Kansas—Dudley F. Black, '03, was married to Miss Angie Scammon at Kansas City, Mo., December 30, 1903. Mrs. Black is one of the charter members of the Kansas chapter of Chi Omega.

Ohio Wesleyan—Walter Ernest Clark, '96, who is an instructor in political economy at the College of the City of New York, was awarded the degree of Ph. D. by Columbia University on November 19, 1903.

Westminster—The Rev. John A. Gallaher, '86, until recently pastor of a church at Belleville, Ill., has accepted a call to the Avondale Presbyterian Church, at Chicago. He resides at 1927 North Whipple street.

Vermont—A. B. Gilbert, '89, became, on October 1, 1903, assistant business manager of the *Railway Age*, one of the foremost railway periodicals of the country. Bro. Gilbert's business address is 1660 Monadnock Block, Chicago.

Wabash—Hugh H. Hanna, '69, of Indianapolis, was one of the three members of the International Monetary Commission which represented the United States in recent conferences in Europe with officials of foreign governments. One member of the commission, Prof. Jeremiah W. Jenks, of Cornell, was sent to China for a conference looking towards the establishment of a stable rate of exchange between silver and gold.

Iowa Wesleyan—John F. Riggs, '85, was elected superintendent of schools of the state of Iowa at the November election. Bro. Charles G. Watkins, '93, was instrumental in securing the nomination for Bro. Riggs in the Republican convention.

Brown—Nathan M. Wright, '89, who had been with the *Providence Journal* since graduation, was recently elected secretary and treasurer of the Republican State committee of Rhode Island. His office is at 442 Butler Exchange, Providence.

Emory—Howard P. Park, '99, is president and general manager of the Park Cotton Mills, at La Grange, Ga. He is an enthusiastic Phi, and has two brothers in the fraternity, Henry B. Park, Auburn, '02, and Emory R. Park, Georgia, '07.

Buchtel—Samuel E. Findley, '94, took a position on the teaching force of Penn Charter School in Philadelphia at the opening of the fall term. For three years past Bro. Findley had been connected with the high schools of New Haven, Conn.

Illinois—Bernard V. Swenson, '93, professor of engineering in the University of Wisconsin, was badly injured in the Iroquois Theater fire at Chicago. He had escaped from the theater himself, but was injured after going back three times to save others. The University of Wisconsin lost four students killed in the fire; two were members of Psi Upsilon and one a member of Phi Kappa Psi.

Columbia—A. P. Van Gelder, '96, for several years assistant superintendent of the Forcite Powder Co., of Landing, N. J., was recently made superintendent of the Climax Powder Co., at Emporium, Pa. The vacancy caused by the advancement of Bro. Van Gelder was filled by the appointment of Emil J. Riederer, '97, who was formerly with the Welsbach Light Co. at Gloucester City, N. J.

Amherst—Frederick B. Loomis, '96, professor of biology in Amherst College, returned in September from a three months' trip to Wyoming and the Dakotas, spent in search of remains of extinct animals and fishes. The expedition was most successful. Professor Loomis securing fossil remains, either partial or whole, of some five hundred animals, a number of which are very valuable specimens.

Several Phi Delta Thetas are active in the organization of a University Club in Washington, D. C. The *Washington Post* of December 13 says the new club is a go, and gives the names of the committee in charge of the movement, representing twenty-one colleges and universities. The list includes Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., *Northwestern*, '88, Tracy L. Jeffords, *Vermont*, '86, George P. Chase, *Pennsylvania*, '95, and Ralph P. Bernard, *Lehigh*, '89.

Colby—Solomon Gallert, '88, attorney, of Rutherfordton, N. C., is colonel and commanding general on the staff of Gov. Aycock, of North Carolina. On the governor's staff is associated with him Wescott Roberson, North Carolina, of High Point, N. C., who is lieutenant colonel and assistant commissary general. Bro. Roberson, though still a young man, is prominent in public affairs, and has represented his county in the past two legislatures.

Case—Charles De Forest Chandler, ex-'03, has been appointed captain in the United States army, and is stationed at Manila, P. I. In announcing the appointment, the Cleveland *Leader* of September 16 says:

Captain Chandler is the son of United States Marshal Frank Chandler. He was appointed first lieutenant in the army February 2, 1901. Previous to that Chandler had served in the signal corps of the volunteers in Cuba during the Spanish-American war. He was born in Cleveland and was appointed to the regular service while he was a student in Case School. He had direct charge of the laying of the Alaskan cable. He has served in the Philippines since his appointment to the regular service.

Lafayette—A bronze tablet bearing the following inscription has been placed in Brainerd Hall by the Board of Trustees of the college:

This building erected by
James Renwick Hogg
of the class of 1878
is dedicated to the development of
CHRISTIAN MANHOOD
and its use is entrusted to
THE BRAINERD SOCIETY.

Non ministrari sed ministrare.
This tablet is placed by the Board of Trustees of
Lafayette College.

Indianapolis—John R. Spears, '72, the well-known author of a history of the United States navy, has completed a biography of Anthony Wayne, sometimes called 'Mad Anthony.' The work forms one of the Historical Lives Series, published by D. Appleton & Co. *Harper's Magazine* for December contains an able and interesting contribution by Bro. Spears on 'Beginnings of the American Navy.'

Illinois Wesleyan—James A. Fullenwider, '82, a prominent lawyer of Chicago, was foully murdered by footpads in that city the first of December. He was shot on the night of December 2 and died in a hospital the next day. Bro. Fullenwider was regarded one of the strongest men ever turned out by Illinois Wesleyan University, and had attained eminence in his profession. He was a most enthusiastic member of our Chicago alumni club, and always attended its meetings. The Chicago Phis are deeply grieved at his sad death.

COLLEGIATE.

A literary monthly has been established at Wisconsin. It is named the *Wisconsin Lit.*

The Medical College of the University of Vermont was destroyed by fire December 2.

A movement is on foot at Pennsylvania to build a dormitory for the exclusive use of graduate students.

The University of Pennsylvania has issued a Spanish edition of its catalogue, to be distributed among South American schools.

The regents at the University of Minnesota have decided that all students before graduation must pass an examination in spelling.

William Butler Yeats, Irish poet, has been delivering his lecture, 'The Intellectual Revival in Ireland,' before many student audiences.

Vassar is endeavoring to raise \$1,000,000 for an endowment. To that end John D. Rockefeller has promised to duplicate whatever sum may be raised before June 1, up to \$200,000.

Of the senators in the Fifty-eighth Congress, fifty-eight are college graduates. Of the congressmen, 215 out of a total of 382 are college men.

Washington and Lee is to have a new \$30,000 dormitory, to be ready in the fall. The enrollment passes the 300 mark, greater than for many years past.

The only woman's college in western Asia and south-eastern Europe is the American College for Women at Constantinople. It was founded in 1871.

The University of Pennsylvania Automobile Club has invited Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Cornell and Columbia to participate in a series of auto races for an intercollegiate championship.

Miss Laura Clement, a Wellesley student, has broken the college women's record in the 100-yard dash. She made the distance in 13 1-5 seconds. The former record, 14 2-5 seconds, was held by a Vassar girl.

The University of Chicago has introduced the study of Japanese, with Professor Rashiaka as head of the department. The course is introduced for the benefit of men who are preparing to go as missionaries to Japan.

A student house, similar in idea to the Harvard Union, is to be erected for Radcliffe from a fund of over \$100,000 subscribed by the friends of Mrs. Louis Agassiz. The house is to be known as the Elizabeth Agassiz House.

Statistics recently published at Indiana University show that of the women graduates between the years 1869 and 1890 more than 70 per cent. married. In the last thirteen years the percentage has been reduced to about 30.

Harvard is second only to Leland Stanford in wealth. Owing to several recent bequests, its total wealth and property valuation is \$17,000,000, against \$40,000,000 for Leland Stanford. Girard College is third, with \$15,000,000.

There are said to be almost as many university teachers in the United States as there are university students in the United Kingdom. The number of professors and instructors in the universities and colleges included in the list of the United States commissioner of education is 17,000. The number of students in British universities and university colleges is about 20,500.

Michigan will endeavor to arrange a football match with Princeton, Harvard, Yale or Columbia for Thanksgiving Day, and will reduce her schedule to include only three hard games. Chicago and Wisconsin will be the other two, and Minnesota and Northwestern will not be met again before 1905.

The University of Pennsylvania has established an atelier, modeled on the French Ecole des Beaux Arts, to afford an opportunity for architects to supplement their general training by a period of special training in design. The atelier is conducted by Prof. Paul Cret, who received his training for this work in various ateliers of Paris.

Out of the profits of Yale glee club concerts during the last six years two scholarship funds of \$1,250 each have been established to aid indigent students. In addition, the club has given each year ten scholarships of \$50 each. Last year the organization took in \$6,512 more than in the year before, and gave \$675 to the Yale athletic association and \$1,291 to the Yale navy.

Harvard is adopting heroic measures to turn out winning crews this year. The Cornell system will be seen in the Harvard boats, as Colson, coxswain of several famous Cornell crews, will coach the crimson 'varsity eight, and Smith, a Cornell coxswain of later day, will have charge of the freshmen. Both Cornellians are doing work in Harvard, and their services are to be gratuitous.

Athletic relations have been restored between Pennsylvania and Lafayette mainly through the efforts of Dr. Edgar F. Smith, vice-provost of the University of Pennsylvania, and Dr. McCluney Radcliffe, trustee of Lafayette. Dr. Radcliffe is a member of the Lafayette chapter of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, class of '82, and is a well-known Phi, having served two terms on the General Council, 1896 to 1900.

An effort is being made to collect enough money among American colleges to furnish a club house for the use of men who are employed on small salaries in civil and military positions in Manila. The club house itself has already been paid for by the father of a recent Yale graduate. It will be used by four or five hundred young men who are at present aiding in the work of establishing American ideals in the Philippines.

The University of New Zealand is an examining body, having general control over four affiliated colleges. There were about 1,000 undergraduates in the University of New Zealand in 1901, when the census showed that the number of persons in the country between the ages of sixteen and twenty-one was 102,000. The university examinations are conducted by examiners resident in England and Scotland.

James H. Hyde, of New York, has established a resident fellowship for two years in Harvard, paying \$600 a year, to be filled by a Frenchman selected by the Minister of Public Instruction of the French republic. The French Ministry of Public Instruction, in friendly response, has established a like fellowship in the University of Paris, to be filled by a Harvard student or graduate on the recommendation of the president of Harvard.

In order to accommodate the rapidly increasing needs of the summer school of civil engineering, Columbia University has purchased nearly 600 acres of land at Morris, Conn., including a farm hitherto leased, for permanent quarters for the school. Two of the new buildings required have already been constructed, and it is hoped that the remainder may be completed before the coming summer. Each of the new buildings contains nineteen rooms and accommodates fifty students.

A memorial will be erected at Purdue University to the Purdue football team killed in the Big Four railroad wreck near Indianapolis. Nearly all of those killed in the wreck were athletes, and a gymnasium has been suggested by the citizens of Lafayette, Ind. (where Purdue is situated). Governor Durbin has started a subscription, heading the list of donors. The citizens of Lafayette are willing contributors to the fund, and many of them have already signed their names for liberal amounts.

The *Syracuse Daily Orange*, the student publication of Syracuse University, is now being printed in a shop owned and operated by students. Syracuse is the third university to have such a plant. Brown and Columbia have shops controlled by students. The printing plant is owned by a corporation known as the Orange Publishing Company, the directors and stockholders of which are all students. In the printing shop all but the foreman are students. New machinery and type to the value of \$1,500 has been installed.

The athletic association of Cornell University has decided to build racing shells as a commercial enterprise, and will undertake to fill all orders for boats. A skilled boat builder has been engaged and a regular shop will be opened. There is at present a large demand for Cornell boats. Harvard has ordered a new eight-oared shell for her varsity race against Yale in June, and the University of Washington has ordered a new eight-oared shell. This is the first time that an American college association has undertaken such an enterprise.

The University of Wisconsin, at commencement in June, will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of its founding. Five days will be devoted to the celebration. The first class, graduated in 1854, was composed of two men; the list of graduates now numbers nearly five thousand. President Van Hise, recently elected, will then be formally inaugurated. University presidents from all parts of the United States will be present, and distinguished scholars from Europe will deliver addresses on special topics. A water fete on Lake Mendota is a novel feature of the program.

Yale's great dining hall, the largest of the bi-centennial structures, which, with its equipment, cost several hundred thousand dollars, has for two years been running behind, the total deficit for the two years being about \$44,000. Beginning with a total number of students of about 1,000, or almost its full capacity, it has at times fallen to about 600. There have been several causes of the trouble: (1) Food and cooking irregularly bad; (2) the development of the 'tipping' system; (3) an unlooked-for rise in the cost of staple provisions; and (4) probably unexpected cost in the operation of the kitchen.

The committee which will control the award of the Rhodes scholarships in America is being formed. There will be one representative from each state on the committee. Those states which have state universities will send the presidents of these institutions to act on the committee; the other states will send the presidents of their larger institutions. The following is a list of the men who will represent other states not represented by the presidents of state institutions: New York, Nicholas M. Butler, Columbia; Connecticut, Arthur T. Hadley, Yale; Massachusetts, Charles W. Eliot, Harvard; New Hampshire, William J. Tucker, Dartmouth; New Jersey, Woodrow Wilson, Prince-

ton; Rhode Island, W. H. P. Faunce, Brown; Maryland, Ira Remsen, Johns Hopkins; Kentucky, D. B. Gray, Georgetown; Illinois, W. R. Harper, University of Chicago.

Foundations are being laid for the new Harvard Medical School, and it is expected that by the fall of 1905 the school will be in the new buildings, which are located near the Fenway in Boston. The fund was started at commencement in 1902, when a gift of \$2,000,000 from J. P. Morgan was announced. Subsequently donations were received from J. D. Rockefeller and Mrs. Collis P. Huntington, together with smaller contributions from friends of the university. Altogether a fund of \$5,000,000 has been secured. There will be six large structures, five of which will be grouped about three sides of a court 520 feet long and 215 feet wide. The sixth building, to be used as a power house, will stand apart from the main group. The buildings alone will cost over \$2,000,000, and it is believed they will be the finest of their kind in the world. They are to be constructed entirely of white Vermont marble, with the exception of their bases, which will be of pink Milford granite. The Medical School faculty are planning to have many affiliated hospitals near by.

HELLENIC.

M II A, a southern fraternity of few chapters, has disbanded.

Θ Δ X has taken a chapterhouse at Boston University, the first there.

Π H Φ, with chapters at Ohio State and Marietta, is a newcomer in the fraternity realm.

Z Ψ is building at Bowdoin, and is the fifth of the eight fraternities there to own a house.

The chapters of **Δ K E**, **Z Ψ** and **Σ N** at North Carolina have built houses during the past two years.

Σ N is to publish a history of the fraternity, to include memoirs of its founders, reviews of its laws, etc.

The Purdue chapter of **K Σ** has been promised a new house next year by the father of a deceased member of the chapter.

A Z Δ, originating as a local at Lombard, has established chapters at Bethany, University of South Dakota and Iowa Wesleyan.

K Σ installed a chapter at Case on Thanksgiving Day, chartering a local society which had been in existence for about a year.

Φ B Π, medical, recently established a chapter at Washington University, where N Σ N has been in existence for several years.

Since the establishment of its endowment fund six years ago, Σ X has secured by its means property valued in excess of sixty thousand dollars.

Φ Γ Δ has made a plain gold pin the only official badge of the fraternity. Jewelers to the fraternity are forbidden to make or sell any more jeweled badges.

Φ A Π at Dickinson has been chartered by Π B Φ, which will install a chapter of nineteen members. Ω Ψ, another Dickinson local, is said to be applying to K A Θ.

Φ N Θ, at Wesleyan University, owns a magnificent home. Though the fraternity was organized in 1837, it has but the one chapter, a charter granted at Ohio Wesleyan having been withdrawn.

It has been announced that the Dickinson chapter of Σ X will demolish their present house for the purpose of erecting on the site a new lodge, the corner-stone to be laid about commencement. Φ Δ Θ is the only other fraternity owning a house at Dickinson. Σ A E, Φ K Ψ and Θ Λ Φ (legal) rent houses, while Φ K Σ, B Θ Π, K Σ, Δ X (legal), Π B Φ and Ω Ψ rent rooms.

The fraternities of Psi Alpha Kappa and Alpha Chi Rho have amalgamated under the name of Alpha Chi Rho. The amalgamation was consummated at Easton (Pa.) Saturday evening, December 5, followed by a banquet, at which representatives from the various chapters were present.—*The Lafayette*.

Ψ A K was founded at Lehigh and put in chapters at M. I. T. and Lafayette; A X P was founded in 1895 at Trinity and had four other chapters: Brooklyn Polytechnic, Pennsylvania, Iowa and Columbia.

A rumor has been going the rounds of the fraternity press to the effect that B Θ Π is endeavoring to revive its Cumberland chapter. We are constrained to deny the soft impeachment.—*The Beta Theta Pi*.

Δ Y held a highly successful convention at New York November 11-13. An excellent account of it is given in the *Quarterly* for December; the reading of it brings vividly to mind the scenes of our own convention there a year ago.

The general fraternities at Cornell last year numbered twenty-two, and had a total membership of 603. Φ Δ Θ, with thirty-seven, and Σ A E, with thirty-six members, had the largest chapters, while Δ Φ, with eighteen, had the smallest.

A chapter of Π K A was installed at Tulane University in the early part of October. Tulane already had chapters of the following: K A, Σ A E, K Σ, Σ X, Φ Δ Θ, A T Ω, Δ T Δ, Φ K Σ, Δ K E and Σ N.

Θ Λ Φ, legal fraternity, organized at Dickinson in 1903, will have three chapters on its entrance at Cornell, announced to occur in the near future. The chapter at Dickinson is known as Holmes chapter, and the one at Detroit School of Law, Cooley chapter.

All men's fraternities at Kansas occupy houses, a condition never before existing at that institution. There has also been a general increase in membership, the fraternities numbering as follows: B Θ Π, 22; Φ Γ Δ, 16; Σ A E, 20; Σ X, 27; Σ N, 15; A T Ω, 20; Φ K Ψ, 17; Φ Δ Θ, 21.

The *Mexican Herald* of November 7 contains an elaborate account of a pan-hellenic dinner held in the city of Mexico on November 6, said to be the first gathering of the kind ever held in that country. Thirty-three men were present, representing twenty-two fraternities, all being Americans save one Mexican, a member of Z Ψ. The oldest graduate present was of the class of '70. The occasion was highly successful, and steps were taken toward the organization of a university club in the city of Mexico. The following were those present accredited to Φ Δ Θ: A. F. Montmorency (*Nebraska*, '93), H. P. Lewis, R. B. Probasco and A. B. Carpenter. THE SCROLL is indebted to Bro. C. A. Bohn, *Washington*, '93, residing at San Luis Potosi, Mexico, for a copy of the paper containing notice of the dinner.

Phi Gamma Delta has removed her tombstone at Muhlenburg College, Pennsylvania, and is thought to be awaiting a favorable opportunity to enter Stevens.—*Record of Σ A E.*

Φ A Φ, a local at Dakota College, Mitchell, S. D., is said to have elected President Theodore Roosevelt to honorary membership during the chief executive's western tour.

The Δ Y *Quarterly* presents the following statistical table of the status of the leading men's college fraternities on January 1, 1903:

Fraternity	Founded	First Chapter	Active Chapters	Inactive Chapters	Membership
Alpha Delta Phi.....	1832	Hamilton.....	24	7	8,600
Alpha Tau Omega.....	1865	V. M. I.....	44	31 (?)	5,500
Beta Theta Pi.....	1839	Miami.....	65	23	12,827
Chi Phi.....	1854	Princeton.....	20	26	4,500
Chi Psi	1841	Union.....	19	10	*4,200
Delta Kappa Epsilon.....	1844	Yale.....	40	11	16,850
Delta Phi.....	1827	Union.....	12	4	*3,400
Delta Psi.....	1847	Columbia.....	8	11	4,500
Delta Tau Delta.....	1860	Bethany.....	44	27	7,074
Delta Upsilon.....	1834	Williams.....	35	5	8,100
Kappa Alpha.....	1825	Union.....	7	2	1,500
Kappa Alpha (So.).....	1865	Washington & Lee	41	11	5,100
Kappa Sigma.....	1867	Virginia.....	60	16	4,995
Phi Delta Theta.....	1848	Miami.....	68	22	12,000
Phi Gamma Delta.....	1848	Wash. & Jeff.....	57	20	9,000
Phi Kappa Psi.....	1852	Jefferson.....	40	17	9,000
Phi Kappa Sigma.....	1850	Pennsylvania.....	19	17	2,775
Psi Upsilon.....	1833	Union.....	22	1	9,699
Sigma Alpha Epsilon.....	1856	Alabama.....	58	31	9,000
Sigma Chi.....	1855	Miami.....	50	21	7,575
Sigma Nu.....	1869	V. M. I.....	46	15	4,976
Sigma Phi.....	1827	Union.....	8	2	1,500
Theta Delta Chi.....	1847	Union.....	22	16	4,603
Zeta Psi.....	1846	New York Univ.....	21	11	5,500
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Totals.....			830	357	162,864
Totals, same fraternities in 1898 (Baird)	749			360	129,172

*Unofficial estimate.

An appended list, giving the number of chapters established or revived during the five years, January 1, 1898-1903, shows the following: A Δ Φ, 1; A T Ω, 7; B Θ Π, 6; X Φ, 1; X Ψ, 1; Δ K E, 5; Δ T Δ, 8; Δ Y, 4; K A (Northern), 1; K A (Southern), 5; K Σ, 18; Φ Δ Θ, 6; Φ Γ Δ, 15; Φ K Ψ, 4; Φ K Σ, 7; Ψ Y, 1; Σ A E, 6; Σ X, 4; Σ N, 11; Θ Δ X, 2; Z Ψ, 1. It is interesting to note that of the 114 chapters which the list includes, eight are in Canadian universities. The six chapters of Φ Δ Θ established since 1898 are: Cincinnati (1898), Washington (1900), Kentucky State

(1901), McGill (1902), Colorado (1902), and Georgia Tech. (1902).

An athletic fraternity has been formed at the University of Iowa. At first chapters will be established only in the "Big Nine," but later it is proposed to have chapters in practically every American university. The chief object of the fraternity is to spread a bond of fellowship among college athletes and remove the feeling of distrust and suspicion which sometimes exists. Only wearers of the 'varsity initials will be entitled to membership.—*Purdue Exponent*.

THE FRATERNITY MAN'S SYMPHONY.—The tie of kindred spirit is stronger than the bond of blood. The craving for books but symbolizes this devotion to one's psychical brother. The fraternity life—ideally considered—is the utopian life. To be strong and to strengthen; to sympathize and to suffer; to be pure; to put away selfishness; to be manly in the manliness of Him who first proposed the principle of brotherhood; to lend much; to borrow little; to be honest both to yourself and to your brother; to seek the high self-development, morally, mentally, spiritually, that the world's great men must have; to be chary of making excuses, and more frugal in giving causes therefor; to be non-partisan, enthusiastic, unselfish, in the larger interests of the institution; to form no barb-wire cliques; to have a listening ear and a silent tongue; to be joyous in the opportunity of living in the electric ozone of a needy, crying world; yes! to be a man is the fraternity man's symphony.

—*The Northwestern*.

THE PYX.

All communications relating to THE SCROLL should hereafter be sent to John H. DeWitt, 51 Cole Building, Nashville, Tennessee.

Formal announcement of the retirement of the present editor from the editorial management of THE SCROLL and *Palladium*, and the election of his successor, has been made in another column. The new editor is John H. DeWitt, *Vanderbilt*, '94, at present Treasurer of the General Council. Brother DeWitt will resign the office of T. G. C., having been elected to the post of Reporter of the General

Council and editor of THE SCROLL and *Palladium* to succeed the present incumbent, resigned.

Chapter reporters and active members on college papers will please take notice of the change at once and see that the new editor is put on their mailing lists. His address is John H. DeWitt, 51 Cole Building, Nashville, Tenn., and all communications of whatsoever nature in relation to THE SCROLL should hereafter be sent to him.

Before sounding the final note of farewell, the editor desires to express his thanks to the reporters and other undergraduate brothers who have sent him college papers, clippings, annuals, letters, and other sources of information invaluable to editors; he feels grateful also to the great number of alumni who keep THE SCROLL always in mind, and take the trouble to send the editor all the interesting items of college and fraternity news which fall under their eyes. The editor has been unable to write his thanks to all of these brothers, but all the same he appreciates their support, and knows that his successor will feel the same way.

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The Phi Delta Theta *News* of Philadelphia has been formally accepted by the Philadelphia Alumni Club as the official club paper, and will be issued four times a year. The December number is extremely interesting. The avowed determination of the club to make Philadelphia the most active Phi Delta Theta center in the country seems certainly to be realized.

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The Indianapolis *Sentinel* of November 6 stated that Frank Shanklin, the Hanover football player who died there in a hospital the night before as a result of injuries received on the gridiron, was a member of Phi Delta Theta. This was an error; his fraternity was Beta Theta Pi.

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The Indianapolis *Morning Star* of January 5 says that all the injured Purdue football players have left the city hospital and gone home save two, one being S. V. B. Miller of Indiana Theta. Bro. Miller is pictured graphically, amusing himself with his banjo, while his fellow sufferer strums a guitar. Bro. Miller expects to be discharged from the hospital within a short time, but will not re-enter college this year.

PHI DELTA THETAS AT ANNAPOLIS.

It is an uncommon if not unprecedented thing to see ten members of Phi Delta Theta, or of any other fraternity, at the United States Naval Academy at the same time. There are ten Phis of us here at present. Conditions are such as to prevent us from forming a chapter or alumni association, but we nevertheless have the interest of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ at heart, and read with unabated pleasure letters in THE SCROLL from brother Phis at other institutions. The members of Phi Delta Theta now in the academy, by classes, are as follows:

1st Class—None; H. B. Fairchild, *Wisconsin* (resigned).

2d Class—J. J. London, *North Carolina*, '03.

3d Class—W. L. Burnett, *Auburn*, '01; W. P. Hayes, *Centre*, '02; J. S. McCain, *Mississippi*, '05; J. P. Miller, *Kentucky State*, '03.

4th Class—E. D. Almy, *Kentucky State*, '06; D. S. H. Howard, *Texas*, '05; W. H. Lee, *North Carolina*, '04; W. R. Mainer, Jr., *Vanderbilt*, '05; G. L. Wellington, *Tulane*, '06.

Bro. Fairchild, of Wisconsin, was here for two years and a half, and resigned last spring.

Bro. Swinnerton, of Leland Stanford, spent several months in Annapolis last spring, preparing for entrance into the academy, but was taken sick with fever shortly before his examinations, and thus prevented from entering.

The number of midshipmen in the Academy at the beginning of the year was 657, divided as follows: 1st class, 65; 2d class, 122; 3d class, 155; 4th class, 317. Among this number there are about 35 fraternity men, alumni and former students of other institutions. It is a little singular that every one of the ten Phis is from the South, a fact accounted for probably by the age limit here, which is from sixteen to twenty years, it being said that Southern men go to college much younger than others do. The classes that enter hereafter will average about 200 men, so that after the present small classes have been graduated we should have fifteen or twenty Phis at Annapolis.

The new buildings, for which Congress has appropriated about \$7,000,000, are very near completion. Wooden annexes are now being used to accommodate the large number of midshipmen.

JOHN J. LONDON.

Annapolis, October 1, 1903.

The first badge made into a sword was presented to Gen. John C. Black, *Wabash*, '62, by the Chicago chapter which was chartered October 14, 1865, and installed January 11 and 12, 1866. The badge was given to him by this chapter about the time of the installation. General Black has recently sent the badge to Bro. W. B. Palmer, who has had an accurate wood cut of it made for the history now in press, and has had a replica made of it for his own use.

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The annual football match between Missouri and Kansas at Kansas City on Thanksgiving Day is the occasion for many fraternity banquets. Thanksgiving Day, 1903, was no exception, and according to the Kansas City *Journal* of November 26 every hotel in the city housed one or more fraternity dinners the night before the game, including those of Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Delta Theta, Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi, Pi Beta Phi, Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Kappa Alpha. The following was said of the Phi Delta Theta dinner:

Mis—soo—rah—rah.
Mis—soo—rah—rah!
Hoo—rah! Hoo—rah!
Mis—soo—rah!

'Backward, turn backward, oh Time in your flight' and make us college men just for tonight. It was not sung, but it was acted in the parlors of the Midland hotel last evening by sixty-five members of Phi Delta Theta as they sat around the festive board. The occasion was the annual banquet of the fraternity given by the Kansas City Alumni Association. There were twenty-eight from the chapters at Lawrence and Columbia, and the remaining thirty-seven represented colleges and universities in different states.

After partaking of a sumptuous dinner a short time was consumed in social intercourse, cigars and Turkish cigarettes. The buzz of conversation was soon interrupted by the yell of Missouri university given above. A merry laugh at the familiar sound and the frat. yell was taken up and repeated:

Rah! Rah! Rah!
Phi-keia!
Phi Delta Theta,
Rah! Rah! Rah!

There were men present with hair as white as snow and youngsters who, even at the banquet, felt the rush of the gridiron last season. There was a diversity in years only. The bloom of youth took on new life as the frat. yell left the lusty throats of young and old alike.

Their dear old alma mater came to mind and, once again on the campus, just for a moment, a Michigan son gave the old-time yell of

U. of M.!
Rah! rah! rah! rah!
Hoo-rah! Hoo-rah!
Michigan, Michigan,
Rah! Rah! Rah!

Catching the inspiration, Illinois was heard from by

Hullabaloo,
Hurrah, Hurrah,
Hoo-rah, hoo-rah,
Illinois,
Wahoo wah!

Not to be outdone, and forgetting the football game to be contested today, the Kansas men, with a mighty puff, lambasted the atmosphere with the following cry:

Oh, me! Oh, my,
Won't we black the Tiger's eye,
Won't he weep?
Won't he wail?
When we twist the Tiger's tail!

Tiring quicker than they used to, the yells soon ceased and a feast of reason took its place.

With Charles R. Pence as toastmaster, there were many responses to toasts. 'The National Fraternity' was assigned to George English; 'Early Days of the Fraternity' were recalled by Judge John F. Philips and extempore subjects were allotted to L. J. Flint, Neal Winter, E. M. Calvin, James Noland, Thomas S. Redge and Willis P. King.

It was midnight when the feast broke up and all went home to dream of Phi Delta Theta and the days that have gone by forever.

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The editor acknowledges with thanks invitations to the twentieth anniversary celebration of New York Beta on December 3, and to Georgia Gamma's 'at home' with Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Willingham (*Mercer*, '81), on December 11.

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L. E. Drummond, treasurer of the New York alumni club, assisted by B. M. L. Ernst, province president, has compiled a card catalogue of *This* in New York city and vicinity. White cards are used for members living in the city, blue cards for those living in Brooklyn, buff cards for those living in suburban places. Craig Atmore is preparing a card catalogue for Philadelphia. These brothers will gladly receive the names of *This* in their respective cities which have not before been reported to them. The names should be accompanied with the chapters and classes of the members, and, if known, their occupations and street ad-

dresses. Bro. Drummond's address is No. 1 Ann street, New York; Bro. Atmore's is 110 Tasker street, Philadelphia. We commend the card catalogue system to the alumni in all cities.

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One more chapter in a house—Randolph-Macon. This makes forty-seven; twenty owned, and twenty-seven rented. And—we should always add—leaving twenty-one chapters still out in the cold. They will get lonesome after a while, this dwindling minority. Randolph-Macon deserves a feather in her cap. Everybody knows it is not an easy proposition to float a chapterhouse with a small chapter of eight or ten men; yet our brothers of Virginia Gamma, where numbers are always small, have done it. What have our big chapters, which are still houseless, to say to this? Interesting chapterhouse news comes from Sewanee, where our first chapterhouse was built twenty years ago. The chapter has acquired a lot adjacent to the site of the present house, and expects in the spring to erect on it a stone lodge, retaining the present lodge also as an annex. Another interesting item is to the effect that one of our householding chapters is to sell its present property and erect a new house on a more desirable site.



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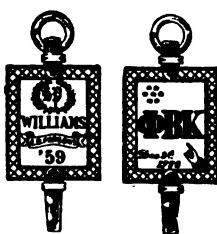
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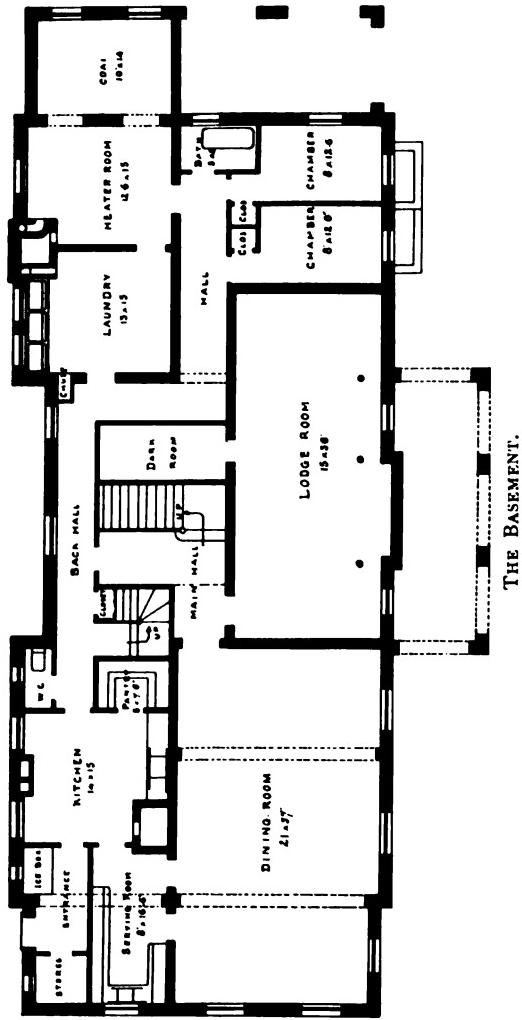
MICHIGAN ALPHA'S NEW HOME.

The first charter for a chapter of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ at the University of Michigan was granted on the 28th of November, 1864. The active membership of the chapter was small during 1868-69, and Michigan Alpha suspended about the end of that collegiate year.

In 1887 eleven students of the literary department petitioned the fraternity for a charter, which was granted on the 11th of November of the same year. Since then Michigan Alpha has had a prosperous growth, so that the chapter now has on its chapter roll 139 members. In May, 1901, the General Council assigned to Michigan Alpha the dormant chapters of Michigan Beta and Gamma. Their rolls numbered 147 and 96 members respectively. This virtually gives Michigan Alpha a roll of 382.

In 1890 the chapter rented quarters at 620 Forest avenue, which met all the demands of the chapter and which was occupied until last September, when the chapter moved into its present quarters. It soon became apparent that the chapter should own a house and lot of its own, and in 1894 an alumni association was formed with that end in view. The plan was to have every alumnus and undergraduate subscribe for stock in the association, by giving at least ten notes of \$10 each, one note payable each year. By this means almost every undergraduate has subscribed for stock, while many of the alumni of all the Michigan chapters have taken a financial interest in the association.

These notes were being collected when they came due, but at best progress was a little slow, and it became apparent to the chapter that it should own a house and lot in order to keep pace with the other fraternities. On the 28th of May, 1902, A. M. Potter and E. J. Wohlgemuth agreed to pay \$500 apiece on condition that the active chapter pay \$1,000, and the alumni the same amount. This plan was successfully car-



THE BASEMENT.

ried through, and the money was all in the hands of the treasurer of the association by the 1st of September of the same year. With this money the board of directors of the alumni association purchased the Ten Brook property, which consists of four ordinary lots, and is situated at the corner of Washtenaw and S. University avenues. The lot cost \$6,000, and to make it valuable to us, it was necessary to build an equally fine house. To build a house of this kind cost the fraternity something over \$18,000. It was found that the chapter could not carry the interest on more than \$16,000 worth of five per cent. first mortgage bonds together with its other running expenses, such as insurance, repairs, etc. Hence it was necessary to raise an extra \$2,000. To meet this demand Webb J. Willets offered to pay \$400 on condition that the chapter should subscribe not less than \$600 and the alumni \$1,000. This plan was successfully carried through and the money was all paid in by April 1, 1903. The bonds were all sold at par, either to the alumni or in Ann Arbor.

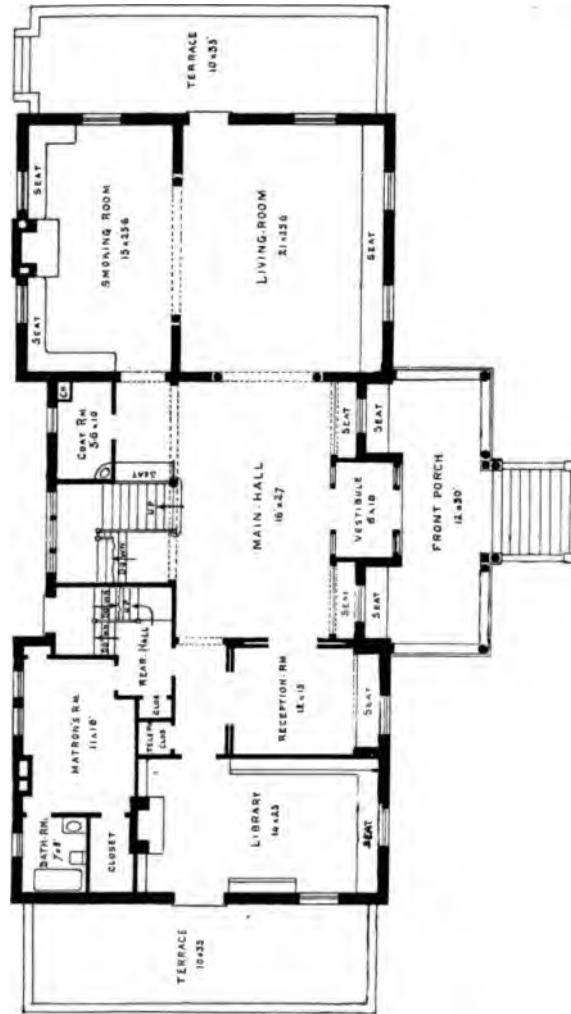
In the meantime the board of directors had chosen Mr. A. W. Chittenden of Detroit as the architect. The accompanying plans show the result of his labor.

The lot is triangular in shape and has a gradual slope toward the southeast, and the many white and black oaks, which cover it, afford us a site that is unexcelled in Ann Arbor for natural beauty.

The house is set well back on the highest part of the lot. It is of the old English baronial style, with a deep red vitrified brick as the material and with green blinds and white casings and doors as trimmings. This combination together with the trees gives a fine color effect.

The basement includes a dining room, lodge room and anteroom, a kitchen and accessories, a laundry, coal room, and two rooms for the servants. The need of a large dining room has long been felt and we are now able to seat sixty men when occasion demands it. This will enable us to hold our annual banquets at the house instead of going to Detroit as has been the custom. The dining room is finished in weathered oak and we have purchased two extension weathered oak tables, together with serving tables, and thirty-six heavy leather bottomed chairs of the same material. Another feature of the basement is the distinct lodge room and ante-room.

In determining upon the plans for the first floor three points were constantly kept in mind: (1) to provide sufficient porch space; (2) to preserve quietness on one side of the house;



THE FIRST FLOOR.

(3) to provide a sufficiently large space for dancing. We believe we have secured all these features. The front of the house is provided with a porch 12x30 feet, and on both ends of the house are terraces 10x35 feet. On entering the house one passes through the vestibule, which has a red tile floor and high white paneling, into a large hall. It is also finished with a high white paneling. The base-board is mahogany, while the remaining wood-work such as columns, arches, and deep mouldings are finished in white enamel. A wide easy staircase leads from the center of the hall. The spindles and the risers of the steps are finished in white

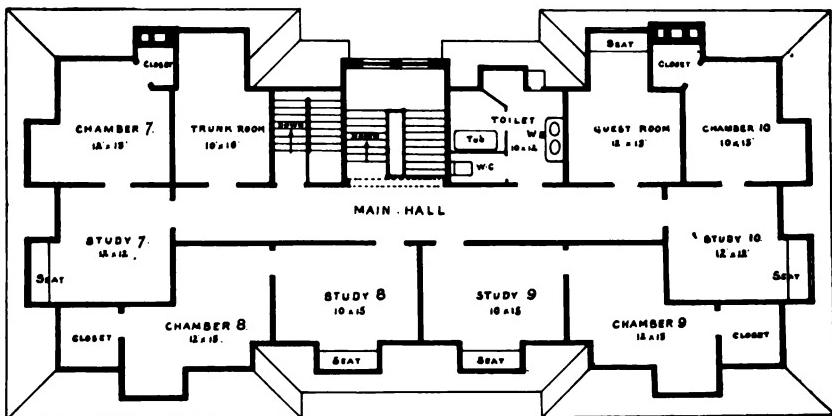


THE SECOND FLOOR.

enamel, while the treads are of natural oak. The railing and newel posts are mahogany. To the right of the hall are the smoking and living rooms, which open into one large room, provided with a fire-place, large enough to admit three foot logs, and many window seats. The mantel and columns together with the other wood-work are finished in weathered oak. The window seats are provided with Spanish leather cushions. The furniture in these two rooms is all new and is of the heavy mission type with Spanish leather cushions. To the left of the hall is the reception room which will serve as a parlor. It is also finished in white enamel and mahogany. To the left of the reception room is the library which was designed for those more studiously inclined. It also has a

large fire-place similar to the one in the smoking room. It is finished throughout in mahogany. The cushions on the window seats are of black leather to match the heavy leather chairs. The rest of the furniture consists of mahogany book-cases, chairs, and a large governor's table. In the back of the house is the matron's-room with a bath adjoining. The rooms have been so arranged that the main floor lends itself finely for receptions and dances. With the exception of the library the entire space can be thrown into one immense room, giving a floor space of about 1700 square feet.

The second floor affords, with six suites, accommodations for twelve men. Of the six studies, four have two exposures,



THE THIRD FLOOR.

while the other two face Washtenaw avenue. A linen closet and a bath room complete this floor. The bathroom is provided with a tub, shower, closet, four wash-bowls, and a clothes chute.

The third floor with its four suites is sought by those of artistic tendencies, as the gabled roof gives an opportunity for clever decorations. This floor with its four suites accommodates eight men. It also contains a trunk room and a bath room similar to the one on the second floor. On this floor is found a single room, dubbed the "Alumni room," which has been set aside especially for the benefit of visiting alumni. Under no circumstances will an undergraduate be permitted to use it, and we hope that many Phis will have occasion to use it.

The floors throughout the house are of hard wood. The house is heated by steam and lighted by both gas and electricity.

CARL H. UPMAYER.

HISTORIC FRATERNITY CONTESTS.*

When New York Alpha was re-established at Cornell, 1886, it was given its former position, with relation to other fraternities, in the annual *Cornellian*. When New York Delta was re-established at Columbia, 1893, it was given its former position in the annual *Columbian*. But when California Alpha was re-established, 1886, the other fraternities at California refused to give the chapter its former position in the annual *Blue and Gold*. Justice was not done $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ in this publication until 1902, when E. C. Anthony, being editor-in-chief, placed California Alpha next after the pioneer fraternity, $Z\Psi$. At Northwestern the first chapter of any fraternity was established by $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, 1859, but two years later it was broken up on account of the war. When Illinois Alpha was re-established there, 1887, the other fraternities refused to give the chapter its rightful position in the annual *Syllabus*. The same thing occurred at Ann Arbor, Michigan Alpha when re-established, 1887, not being granted its original position in the annual *Palladium*. The same discrimination against $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ was exercised at Wisconsin; but after years of contention, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ won a complete victory at Wisconsin, while at Michigan it finally secured equal representation, though not its original position in the annual. At both Wisconsin and Michigan the fights over the annuals were complicated with the unfairness of other fraternities in regard to inter-fraternity social events.

At the University of Wisconsin $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ had the only chapter before the civil war, and it suspended on account of the war. Wisconsin Alpha was reorganized, 1880. $B\Theta\Pi$ had established a chapter there, 1873; $\Phi K\Psi$, 1875; $X\Psi$, 1878. The first students' annual at Wisconsin, called the *Trochos*, was published in the spring of 1884 by the class of '85. C. L. Allen, of Wisconsin Alpha, who was editor-in-chief, arranged the fraternities in the order of their establishment in the university. The other fraternities objected to this arrangement and called for a vote of the board of editors. Four of the eight members of the board were non-fraternity men. The result was a vote of five to three in favor of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. The other fraternities would not abide this decision, and, led by $X\Psi$, withdrew their support, taking with them all literary material which had been prepared for the annual. These actions, especially that of withdrawing the literary material,

* Written for "The History of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity," now in press.

caused great excitement, and a junior class meeting was held to investigate the matter. In this meeting the class upheld the vote of the board, passed resolutions of censure upon B Θ Π, Φ K Ψ and X Ψ, and accepted the resignations of the editors representing them. The question of precedence was also submitted to the faculty, which also sustained the position of Φ Δ Θ.* C. I. Allen met the representatives of B Θ Π, Φ K Ψ and X Ψ alone in a room, and by evincing a readiness to use the muscle with which nature had endowed him, persuaded them to surrender the literary material. These fraternities refused their engravings, but their membership lists were published in the annual following the Φ Δ Θ list.

In 1881 Wisconsin Alpha had taken the initiative in establishing the inter-fraternity ball, which was given annually on Washington's birthday, and which, in its co-operative feature, corresponded with the Pan-Hellenic banquets that began to be common at other institutions about this time. Previous to 1884, the question of precedence of fraternities had not been raised, but now it assumed an important aspect. B Θ Π, Φ K Ψ and X Ψ, unable to accomplish their ends where the question was laid before an unbiased jury like the neutrals of the class publishing the annual, decided to make it unpleasant for Φ Δ Θ in a matter where they would hold complete control. They insisted that Φ Δ Θ should be last on the dance card, but inadvertently appointed two Phis on the committee on printing, so Φ Δ Θ came out first on the programme. Beaten again, the three opposing fraternities met secretly and decided to make all arrangements for the ball without notifying Φ Δ Θ, and then to exclude it. Their plans were successful that year. Two incidents, however, occurred which showed the attitude of the university authorities toward the dispute. The first was the attendance of the ladies of Ladies Hall at the term party of Φ Δ Θ, Thanksgiving evening, 1884, special permission for them to attend having been granted by the matron. The second incident was the refusal of the board of regents to allow the other fraternities the use of Assembly Hall for the ball, February 22, 1885, where the function had previously been held.

During 1884-85 and 1885-86, no annual was published, and Φ Δ Θ was still barred out of the inter-fraternity party. In

* This decision of the faculty was largely based upon a report of W. F. Allen, A Δ Φ, a graduate of Harvard, and professor of history of Wisconsin. He presented a statement of the facts to the Union chapter of A Δ Φ, which rendered a decision in favor of Φ Δ Θ. Unless this rule were applied, X Ψ would be compelled to see its parent chapter, founded 1841, and suspended from 1877 to 1892, placed below Φ Δ Θ at Union.

each of these years the precedence question was submitted to the junior class, and the non-fraternity students always voting that $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ should head the fraternity lists, the three disgruntled fraternities succeeded in preventing the publication of the annual.

In 1887 the class of '88 published the second volume of the *Trochos*. The old fight was resumed, and $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ and the newly established ΔY were the only men's fraternities represented in the publication. If the opposing fraternities controlled the ball, certainly $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ controlled the annual, and a stranger would not have been aware from it of the existence of $B\Theta\Pi$, $\Phi K\Psi$, $X\Psi$ or ΣX . The latter, also newly established, having been promised admission to the fraternity party provided it would vote with the other three, had agreed to do so.

After the *Trochos* was published in the spring of 1887, the class of '89, in arranging for its publication in 1888, sustained $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ in the position it had taken throughout the whole trouble. This led the other fraternities to offer a compromise, and it was finally agreed that the fraternities should appear in the annual according to their English alphabetical order, though this was not satisfactory to $\Phi K\Psi$. The following fall $B\Theta\Pi$, $\Phi K\Psi$, $X\Psi$ and ΣX , as usual, made their arrangements for the party without notifying $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. They had settled the annual matter, and impliedly had promised to drop all differences. But $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ was too strong a rival for them to think of removing a handicap which was to their advantage. At first fair arguments and appeals to their faith, given in the annual settlement, were made, but they were not to be thus influenced. Seeing that nothing could be gained there, Wisconsin Alpha presented the case to the university authorities, which again decided that the other fraternities could not have the use of the Assembly Hall for the 1888 party without admitting $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. The other fraternities were thus forced to surrender, and such was then their desire to stand well with a formidable and successful competitor, that each of them hastened to assure Wisconsin Alpha that through its influence $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ had been admitted. Especially was this the case with $B\Theta\Pi$, which had bitterly opposed the admission of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, yet afterward claimed to have been instrumental in its admission. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ gained admittance through nobody's influence except its own; it had won over the combined efforts of the other fraternities, and because it was the strongest fraternity at Wisconsin, and they could not keep it out.

The annual published, 1888, by the class of '89 was called the *Badger* instead of the *Trochos*. In the *Badger* published, 1896, by the class of '97, the emblematic cuts of the fraternities were preceded with a page giving the names of the fraternities at Wisconsin, with the years their chapters there were originally established—Φ Δ Θ, 1857; B Θ II, 1873; X Ψ, 1878, etc.—but the order in which cuts and chapter lists were inserted was: B Θ II, X Ψ, Φ Δ Θ, etc. The next year there was no prefatory page to the fraternity department, and Φ Δ Θ had its rightful place, its cut and chapter list being first. In 1897 also Φ K Ψ, which had been revived after four years inactivity, was allowed its old position, following B Θ II.

At the University of Michigan Φ Δ Θ had an editor on the annual *Palladium*, 1866, 1867, 1868 and 1869. Michigan Alpha then suspended, and was not finally restored until 1887. Previous to 1884 the *Palladium* was issued by the seniors of the secret societies, each of which societies was entitled to representation on the editorial board, subject to the condition that it had existed at Ann Arbor for the preceding three years. Then (1884) the nine societies which had had the longest continuous existence there formed a close corporation, to keep out fraternities whose chapters had been more recently established or revived. This object is plainly shown by the following extracts from the constitution of the *Palladium* board:

Article II. This board shall be under the care and direction of the following named secret societies of the University of Michigan: X Ψ, A Δ Φ, Δ K E, Σ Φ, Z Ψ, Ψ T, B Θ II, Φ K Ψ and Δ T Δ. Each society shall have one vote through its regularly elected editor or delegate.

Article III. No secret or other society shall be admitted to representation on this board, as now constituted, except by the unanimous consent of the societies heretofore named. But such societies may be admitted to representation in the *Palladium* upon a two-thirds vote of the board.

Article V. It shall be the duty of the editor from the society longest established at the university (X Ψ) to call the first meeting of such board.

Article XII. When duly ratified by the societies heretofore mentioned, this constitution shall be the organic law of said board; but it may be amended by and with the consent of two-thirds of the societies whose delegates constitute this board, except as regards Articles II, III and XII, which can be amended only by the unanimous vote of the board.

All fraternities in the professional schools, and all other fraternities in the literary department and the sororities were debarred from editorial representation, although their membership lists and the engravings of some of them were graciously included in the book. The lists of Σ X (then confined

to the law school), N Σ N (medical), Δ Σ Δ (dental), Φ X (pharmacy), and the ladies societies, ΓΦ B, ΔΓ and Sorosis, appeared in the annual issued early in 1887. Δ Y was excluded because it was non-secret, and ΦΓΔ for the alleged reason that, when established, 1885, it had refused to pay for its cut, and thus incurred the displeasure of the board. On application of J. E. Brown, a list of five members of ΦΔΘ from other institutions appeared in the 1887 annual. Michigan Alpha was re-established, November, 1887, and in the 1888 and 1889 annuals the chapter had a list of members and an engraving, but they were placed among those of professional fraternities and other non-*Palladium* fraternities. In the annual of 1890, ΦΔΘ's list and engraving appeared with those of the fraternities in the literary department, but the chapter's position was according to the date of its re-establishment, instead of the date of original establishment. A T Ω was established (in the law school), 1888; Σ A E, 1889; ΘΔX, 1889, and KΣ, 1892; but they, as well as ΦΔΘ, ΦΓΔ, ΣX, ΔY and the strictly professional fraternities, were excluded from editorial representation.

The *Palladium* fraternities received a surprise, May, 1892, when the class of '95 elected a board for the sophomore annual, the *Oracle*. This board consisted of ten members, and it had been decided that four of the ten should be fraternity representatives. The *Palladium* fraternities held a caucus, and later in class meeting nominated as fraternity editors the caucus nominees. The other fraternities, which had not been invited to the caucus, then placed four candidates in nomination, all of whom were elected. One of them, C. W. Foster, was a Phi.

The nine fraternities which controlled the *Palladium* maintained their control through 1891-92, and, becoming even more arrogant and unfair, excluded all other fraternities entirely from the annual. However, the fight for equal rights continued and the cabal was forced to surrender. The number of other fraternities having multiplied, their threats to publish a rival annual, unless allowed editorial representation, caused the board to admit them. In the volume issued in 1893 all the fraternities of the literary department were accorded equal representation. Michigan Alpha's editor that year was A. W. Hookway. However, the position allowed the chapter was determined not by the date of its establishment, 1864, but by the date of re-establishment, 1887.

This settled the fight so far as the annual was concerned, but, as at Wisconsin, a contest arose about an inter-fraternity party. At Michigan this function was called the "junior hop," and it was conducted by the fraternities, the first in 1880. It was given in the spring every year except in 1884, when it was omitted because of the withdrawal of A Δ Φ, Ψ Y, Φ K Ψ and Δ T Δ. Beginning with 1885, it was conducted solely by the *Palladium* fraternities. Members of other fraternities, as well as independents, were permitted to attend, but were not allowed to exhibit banners or fraternity emblems at their booths. It is needless to say that under such conditions members of other fraternities did not attend. When the *Palladium* settlement was made, 1892-93, the nine fraternities which had controlled the annual still refused to give the other fraternities representation in the management of the so-called junior hop. In 1893 and 1894 the hop was in the Waterman Gymnasium. The excluded fraternities protested, and in 1894-95 President J. B. Angell refused the use of the gymnasium, on the ground that the hop management did not have the sanction of the junior class or of a majority thereof. The nine fraternities then gave up the old name "junior hop" and adopted the name of "annual ball." The university regents passed a resolution authorizing the President and Secretary to allow the gymnasium to be used by any properly organized body at a rental of \$100 a night.

The ball was given by the nine fraternities in the gymnasium, February 15, 1895, and plans were made by them for another ball in 1896. Under the resolution of the regents they leased the gymnasium and paid the rent. But the other fraternities appealed to the regents not to allow the ball to take place in the gymnasium unless it should be made a genuine university affair. Thereupon the regents rescinded the lease, and passed a resolution which prohibited the ball unless there should be no unjust discrimination. An appeal to the people of the State had been threatened, and it was feared that legislative appropriations would be withheld if an equitable settlement of the matter were not arranged. Full accounts of the dispute were published in the newspapers of Michigan and adjoining States. Δ K E withdrew from the other eight fraternities, and the eight gave their 1896 ball at Toledo, Ohio. An editorial in THE SCROLL, February, 1896, written by J. E. Brown, who had formerly been a student at Ann Arbor, said: "It was notoriously true that the weak and shaky chapters of the original *Palladium* crowd were the ones

opposed to the admission of any new-comers. There is no doubt that the same principle of self preservation is in the attempt to retain control of the junior hop. There is, in fact, no other claim behind it, and these fraternities never made a greater confession of their weakness than in their attempt to bar $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, ΔY , $\Theta\Delta X$ and $\Sigma A E$ from a voice in the management of this affair, and at the same time courting most earnestly their booth rent and their presence at the hop."

The four fraternities last mentioned gave a party, called the "annual promenade," in the university gymnasium, February 14, 1896. One of the patronesses in attendance was Mrs. J. B. Angell, wife of the President of the university. The affair at Toledo proved to be very inconvenient to the eight fraternities participating in it, as well as to their guests, and they were severely condemned by public opinion for going beyond state borders to give a university ball. They receded from an untenable position, and, in January, 1897, a settlement was effected, whereby all fraternities of the literary department and the independents were allowed representation on the "junior hop." According to a rotation scheme, each fraternity, in turn from year to year, would have the general chairmanship, while a member of each would hold an office or membership in one of the committees. Accordingly, all interests took part in the ball of 1897.*

In 1897 the *Palladium*, the *Castalian* and the *Res Gestæ* were succeeded by the *Michiganensian*, published by the seniors of the literary, law and engineering departments. The *Castalian* had first appeared, 1865-66, in the form of papers published every little while by the anti-secret society element of the senior class; in 1889 it took the form of an annual called the *Castalian*. The *Res Gestæ* had been issued by the senior law class, 1895 and 1896.

WALTER B. PALMER.

BISHOP M. EDWARD FAWCETT.

M. Edward Fawcett was born at New Hartford, Iowa, November 1, 1866. His early life was spent in that state. In 1885 he was graduated in the classical course of Upper Iowa University, at Fayette. He then entered Northwestern University, where he received the doctorate in philosophy for special work in Latin and Christian evidences. In 1887 he

*See "The Michigan Book," 1898.

became a member of Illinois Alpha. While at Evanston he was an editor of the *Northwestern* and the annual *Syllabus*.

In 1885 he was ordained a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church. His first charge was in Iowa; then he filled charges in various towns in Illinois. He then went to Chicago, where he had two or three charges, among them Douglas Park Church. In 1894 he was appointed pastor of Grace Church at Elgin, Ill. During this pastorate came his change of faith, brought about, after much reading and study, by



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the profound conviction that his place was in the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Resigning from the Methodist church in 1896, he was immediately appointed a lay reader of the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer at Elgin. After a six months interval, on May 20, 1897, he was admitted to the diaconate, and, on December 15, of that year, he was ordained a priest, and appointed rector. After three years work at that church, he was called to Saint Bartholomew's Church, Englewood, Chicago, on May 13, 1901, which call he accepted on September 1, 1901.

On May 20, 1903, he was elected bishop of the diocese of Quincy. The Chicago *Record-Herald* said: "Dr. Fawcett is one of the youngest men ever elected to the episcopate in the American Church. His selection is all the more flattering when it is considered that he has been a priest of the Episcopal Church only five and one-half years." *The Churchman* said: "Saint Bartholomew's parish grew steadily under his rectorate, and his success as a parochial administrator is auspicious of an efficient administration in a larger field." His consecration took place at Saint Bartholomew's Church, January 20, 1904. There were nearly 100 clergy of all orders present, including nine bishops. In the evening there was a banquet at Kinsley's, under the auspices of the Church Club of Chicago, in honor of the newly consecrated bishop. Over 175 guests were present.

PHI KAPPA PSI'S SEMI-CENTENNIAL HISTORY.

THE HISTORY OF THE PHI KAPPA PSI FRATERNITY, from Its Foundation in 1852 to Its Fiftieth Anniversary: By Charles Liggett Van Cleve, Ohio Alpha, '79. Philadelphia, Pa. Franklin Printing Company. 1902. Cloth; pp. 304, 6x9.

The fraternity system is over seventy-five years old, and there are about thirty inter-collegiate fraternities for men, besides those for women and those specially for professional students. Considering these facts, it is somewhat surprising that so few of these organizations have published histories. Historical sketches of several of them have appeared in their catalogues, but these sketches are more or less incomplete. Only four fraternities have published separate historical works,* viz:

THE PSI UPSILON EPITOME, by Albert Poole Jacobs. Cloth; pp. 264, 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$. Published 1884; reviewed in THE SCROLL, February, 1885.

FRATERNITY STUDIES: A Manual of Information Concerning the Fraternity of Beta Theta Pi, by William Raimond Baird. Cloth; pp. 370, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 7 $\frac{1}{4}$. Published 1894; reviewed in THE SCROLL, February, 1895.

MEMORIAL HISTORY OF THE THETA DELTA CHI FRATERNITY, with an Account of the Semi-Centennial Convention and Banquet, by Clay W. Holmes. Cloth; pp. 204, 6 $\frac{3}{8}$ x 9. Published 1898; reviewed in THE SCROLL, June, 1899.

And the history of $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$ the title of which is quoted above. This history was published in time to distribute at $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$'s semi-centennial Grand Arch Council (convention) at Pitts-

* Not counting two editions of "A Manual of Phi Delta Theta," 1886 and 1897, and a short history of $\kappa\ K\ \Gamma$, 1903. A review of the latter will appear in the next number of THE SCROLL.

burg in 1902. Its author, Mr. Van Cleve, was graduated at Ohio Wesleyan in 1879. He mentions that the book was begun in 1879, and that four men resigned the task before he undertook it. The history gives evidence of much research into the fraternity's archives, and many interesting facts are recorded. Some of these facts are of interest to other Greeks as well as to Phi Psi. The history of the fraternity fills 194 pages, sketches of the chapters 110 pages.

Φ K Ψ was founded at Jefferson College, at Canonsburg, Pa., near Washington, Pa., where Washington College then existed. The two institutions later united as Washington and Jefferson College, at "Little Washington," as the town is called in Western Pennsylvania, to distinguish it from the national capital. There were two founders—C. P. T. Moore and W. H. Letherman (changed afterward to Letterman); the latter was valedictorian of his class.

They had each been solicited to unite themselves with the chapters of fraternities then in existence at Jefferson, but the character of the men who composed these chapters was not of the kind that they desired to emulate; and so, inspired with the thought that they might be the founders of a new order of the very highest sort, they asked several friends to come to Letherman's room to join them in this noble work. Of those invited none came but Moore.

This meeting was on February 19, 1852, before which date Moore and Letherman had "written out a constitution." A picture of the house in which this meeting was held was not secured for the history, but a half-tone of it appeared in the *Shield* for August, 1903, as noted in THE SCROLL for last October. Two members were added February 23, one February 25 and one February 27. At the end of the college session the chapter numbered seven, but great pains were taken to keep its existence from being known. How long it remained *sub rosa* is not mentioned.

B Θ II had established a chapter at Jefferson, 1842; Φ Γ Δ had been founded there, 1848. The historical sketch of Pennsylvania Alpha, the parent chapter of Φ K Ψ, says: "The rivalry of the young chapter with B Θ II and Φ Γ Δ was of the fiercest variety, and the bitterness engendered often brought on fistic and other encounters."

T. C. Campbell, initiated January 27, 1853, was "*facile princeps*, the fraternity man of his time," though "for flagrant violation of fraternity law," he was once expelled and later reinstated. In a manuscript chapter paper, called the *Amicus Mysticus*, he thus reviled a rival fraternity: "From the whole mass of living beings on the face of the earth, there cannot

be collected another set of men professing Christianity who are in a higher degree devoid of all principals of honor, truth and justice than this Satanic B society and their feminine colleagues." This probably referred to B Θ II. Another rival, probably Φ Γ Δ, was characterized in terms too coarse for the THE SCROLL to quote. The history says:

A number of questions early arose to vex the members of the new organization (Φ K Ψ), not the least of which was the problem of coping with rival orders. The favorite method of "spiking" was to obtain in some nefarious way the esoteric work of a competing chapter, and spread the "secrets" thus obtained before the candidate sought. It is easy to see to what such tactics would lead. The chief business of Φ K Ψ and other Greek-letter societies for the twenty-five years from 1855 to 1880 was to revise rituals and constitutions, so as to keep ahead of the ambitious burglars and liars who in various ways secured information, more or less accurate, of rivals, which was peddled about from chapter to chapter in the same fraternity, and sometimes intrusted to a rival fraternity when the object of the expose was hateful to both organizations.

The minutes and memorials of the early chapters of Φ K Ψ contain frequent references to the grips and passwords of various rivals; and to such a pitch of unrighteous frenzy did the practice rise, that at one time a book existed in the Fraternity in which a super-zealous brother in Φ K Ψ had copied the constitutions, mottoes, passwords, etc., of every fraternity represented in the college where his chapter was located, together with a miscellaneous lot not so represented. This book was passed around in Φ K Ψ for years, and used in the manner above adverted to, on the Jesuitical plea that you "must fight the devil with fire." The writer of these lines takes a tardy joy in the fact that he was instrumental in losing the book for good and all. Having mentioned the existence of such a piratical volume at a Grand Arch Council (convention) which he was attending, he was besought to procure the book for several delegates. Knowing the transcriber intimately, the historian secured the loan of the book, and he rejoices that, from that date to this, the contraband article has not been mentioned to him nor to the transcriber, who is now heartily ashamed of his youthful folly.

One of the founders, Moore, remained at Jefferson College but a short time. He went to Union College "for the avowed purpose of establishing Φ K Ψ in the conservative East." He was invited to join Δ Φ, which had been founded at Union in 1827. The history gives a facsimile of Δ Φ's invitation to Moore—a printed form reading:

DELTA PHI.

MR. CHARLES MOORE.

Dear Sir: I have the honor to inform you that you have been elected a Member of the Delta Phi (Alpha of New York). *Strictly Confidential.*
I am, Sir, Very respectfully yours, &c., Wm. A. NUMAN.
Union College, June 3rd, 1853.

The history says: "Finding that the field was well filled, and that the prospect for establishing a chapter of choice men was impracticable," he asked for permission to join Δ Φ, and

this privilege was granted to him "on the condition that he should use all his means for the connection of the $\Delta\Phi$ with our association." The history continues:

It does not appear that $\Delta\Phi$ had any very restrictive rules about membership in those days, permitting a man to associate with them although connected with other fraternities, simply demanding that he should not be connected with any other order in the same college where affiliation with $\Delta\Phi$ was desired. This anomalous condition prevailed generally in Greek-letter societies in the days of their incipiency, for the connectional idea was little understood, if at all, and the joining of a fraternity meant little to a man except the pleasant companionship with congenial fellows through the short years of his college course. In fact, the larger, and, as we believe, the true idea of fraternity life is the product of the last twenty or at most twenty-five years.

Letters were received from a member of $\Delta\Phi$ "in which propositions were tentatively made for a union of $\Phi K \Psi$ with the older and more powerful fraternity." This, it seems, was in 1853; it was "previous to the permission of the chapter to Moore to connect himself with the $\Delta\Phi$ at Union." $\Delta\Phi$ had seven chapters while $\Phi K \Psi$ had only one, yet $\Phi K \Psi$ wanted to do the absorbing—it did not want to be absorbed itself.

The discussion was spirited, not to say bitter on the $\Delta\Phi$ proposition, but was finally ended with the decisive vote of the entire chapter, with the exception of one man, to reject all overtures and maintain a separate existence. The member who was so eager for union with $\Delta\Phi$ withdrew in anger from the chapter and afterward joined a chapter of another fraternity at Jefferson.

The old $\Delta\Phi$ proposition came up again, this time the matter being urged by the chapter of $\Delta\Phi$ at Princeton. The formal negotiation began in November, 1854, and dragged along until the late winter. Under date of February, 1855, we find the ultimatum of Pennsylvania Alpha, to the effect that if $\Delta\Phi$ did not take the graduate members of $\Phi K \Psi$, negotiations should be broken off. From all evidence to be obtained, this position was adhered to, and $\Phi K \Psi$ entered upon her independent career, and the impetus given to the fraternity by the narrow escape from absorption, through the intense enthusiasm of those who did not favor the project, carried $\Phi K \Psi$ far beyond the stage where it would be possible for it to submit to the swallowing process, at least in the role of victim.

The foregoing account of the courtship of $\Phi K \Psi$ by $\Delta\Phi$ is from the general history. The following account is from the sketch of the Pennsylvania Alpha:

Moore went to Union in the hope of establishing there a chapter of $\Phi K \Psi$, and having failed in the attempt, was given permission to join $\Delta\Phi$. The result of this action upon the part of the founder was a proposition from $\Delta\Phi$ for the absorption of the infant of $\Phi K \Psi$. After a stormy debate, the matter was defeated. Being dissatisfied with this treatment of this matter, Joseph C. Nevin asked for and obtained an honorable dismissal from the fraternity. He did not succeed in arousing any outside interest in the $\Delta\Phi$ project, and later joined $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$. The agitation for the proposed union with the older and more powerful order broke out again with virulence in 1855, but $\Delta\Phi$, having refused, to take all alumni of $\Phi K \Psi$ while absorbing the active membership, led to the refusal of $\Phi K \Psi$ for further negotiations.

The name of C. P. T. Moore appears in the catalogues of $\Phi K \Psi$ and $\Delta \Phi$. The history of $\Phi K \Psi$ says:

Eastern extension seeming premature if not impossible, the attention of our founder, Moore, was directed to the great University of Virginia. After his graduation at Union, in 1853, he went to the University of Virginia to study law. In November, 1853, a charter was granted to a set of petitioners headed by him, who set forth their desires in rich, diploma Latin. The charter was issued, and the second chapter of our fraternity founded at the University of Virginia, December 8, 1853. . . .

It seems quite worthy of remark that although the efforts at extension had been strenuous in the first two years of the fraternity life, three years went by with the fraternity consisting of only two chapters, Pennsylvania Alpha and Virginia Alpha. It is to be supposed that the $\Delta \Phi$ agitation had much to do with making extension slow, but so soon as coqueting ceased, the work of introducing the mysteries of $\Phi K \Psi$ in new fields went on apace. The year 1855 is still the banner year for extension in $\Phi K \Psi$ history, six chapters having been organized and successfully inaugurated in that year.

These six chapters were established at Washington (now Washington and Lee), Allegheny, Lewisburg (now Bucknell), Washington (now Washington and Jefferson), Pennsylvania (Gettysburg) and Hampden-Sidney. In that year the fraternity held its first convention; it met at Washington, D. C.; from the first conventions were called Grand Arch Councils. Nine other chapters were established before the war—South Carolina College, 1857; University of Mississippi, 1857; Bethany, 1858; La Grange (Tennessee), 1859; Dickinson, 1859; Franklin and Marshall, 1860; Cumberland, 1860; Mississippi College, 1860; Ohio Wesleyan, 1861.

Up to the beginning of the war $\Phi K \Psi$ numbered seventeen chapters; of this number nine were located in distinctively southern institutions. The life of all these (southern) chapters ceased during the struggle of the North and South, and with two of them, Tennessee Alpha (La Grange) and Mississippi Beta (Mississippi College) the time for renewed activity never came. Of the nine suspended chapters, only three had vitality sufficient to reorganize immediately upon the reopening of their institutions after the cessation of hostilities. Of the remaining four chapters, reorganization was delayed even until as late as 1881.

Though $\Phi K \Psi$ was founded over three years after $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, it was much more widely extended than $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at the opening of the civil war, and it emerged from the war period very much stronger. Of the seventeen chapters which $\Phi K \Psi$ had established, all of them were alive at the beginning of 1861. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ also had established seventeen chapters, but only eight were alive. Of these four—Wisconsin, Northwestern, Ohio Wesleyan and Franklin—were killed by the war, leaving only four active—Indiana, Centre, Wabash and Indianapolis. Michigan was added in 1864, and at the end of the struggle $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ had only five active chapters. The $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ catalogue of 1870

contains only 556 names, though if all then initiated had been included, the number would have been 665. The $\Phi K \Psi$ catalogue of 1870 contains 1,848 names, nearly three times as many members as $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ then had.

From 1852 to 1855 a monogram of the letters $\Phi \Psi$ was the badge of $\Phi K \Psi$, which in the latter year adopted a shield bearing the letters " $\Phi K \Psi$," an eye, two stars and an antique lamp on a book. The colors were chosen between 1875 and 1878, when the Ohio Wesleyan chapter was Grand Chapter. "This Grand Chapter first chose colors for the fraternity, and lavender and rose-pink was their choice."

After mention of "fugitive chapter papers or annual letters," the history says: "The first real fraternity journal was *The Phi Kappa Psi Monthly*, the first issue of which appeared in October, 1875, and continued through nine numbers." From "American College Fraternities," it would seem that this *Monthly* was issued before $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ issued a magazine, but THE SCROLL of *Phi Delta Theta* appeared nine months earlier, its first issue being dated January, 1875. The *Monthly* was edited and published by a member in Baltimore, as a private enterprise; it suspended June, 1876. The Grand Arch Council authorized *The Phi Kappa Psi Quarterly*, three numbers of which were published in 1877, when it also suspended. The first issue of *The Shield of Phi Kappa Psi* appeared September, 1879, and it was published as a private enterprise until April, 1882, when it also suspended. *The Shield* was revived, 1883, being made the official organ of the fraternity. The editor from 1883 to 1885 was C. L. Van Cleve, the author of the history under review, and he edited the magazine also from 1886 (when a salary was first paid the editor) to 1893. An account of the Grand Arch Council of 1880 says:

The most amusing event of the meeting was an attempt upon the part of some of the chapters to add to the fraternity a sort of side-degree for college girls. It must be remembered that sororities were then in their infancy. Although some delegates were warm in their support of this measure, it was laughed out of court.

The Grand Chapters of $\Phi K \Psi$ were as follows: Jefferson, 1852-56; Virginia, 1856-61; Washington (Pa.), 1861-66; Bethany, 1866-69; Dickinson, 1869-75; Ohio Wesleyan, 1875-78; Lafayette, 1878-81; Columbian, 1881-84; Pennsylvania (Gettysburg), 1884-86. In 1886 a new constitution was adopted; the Grand Chapter was abolished, an Executive Council was established, and the fraternity was divided into

districts with an Archon for each. The constitution was last revised in 1898, when a revised ritual also was adopted, the ritual including a burial service. The Grand Arch Council of 1900 adopted "a neat button for pledged men and one for the use of alumni," and introduced "a catechism for members."

The information about the first fifty years of $\Phi K \Psi$ which Mr. Van Cleve has collected and placed in permanent form will be of great value to the fraternity. The book is handsomely printed and bound. The illustrations consist of: three small woodcuts of old fashioned badges, a reproduction of the log cabin built by $\Delta K E$ at Kenyon in 1855, nine pages of facsimiles of old documents, two pages of half-tone views of Jefferson College buildings, one page of views of the home of Founder Moore, and nine pages of views of chapter houses.

WALTER B. PALMER.

HUGH THOMAS MILLER.

Indiana papers announce that Hon. Hugh Th. Miller, Indianapolis, '88, is a candidate for lieutenant-governor of that state. His claims will be submitted to the Republican state convention which meets the last of April. The Indianapolis *Journal* says:

Mr. Miller is identified with the Irwin Bank at Columbus, Ind., in the capacity of assistant cashier; and is also connected with the Indianapolis, Columbus and Southern Traction Company, being one of its directors. He was formerly a member of the faculty of Butler University, in Irvington, and but recently was mentioned in connection with the presidency the of University of Indianapolis. He was a member of the house in the general assembly of 1903, and a few months ago, when it was thought that he would be a candidate for renomination and re-election, was considered as a probable candidate for speaker of the house in 1905.

His home paper, the Columbus *Republican*, says:

Hugh Th. Miller is so well known in Columbus and Batholomew county, and in fact throughout the state, that he needs no introduction to the voters. His record as a member of the lower house of the last general assembly is one of which he can well be proud, as can also his constituents. He at once forged to the front, and because of his work during the session was highly complimented by the Indianapolis papers. It was near the close of the session that, in the Indianapolis *News*, Booth Tarkington, a fellow representative, urged that he be returned to the next session of the assembly, and suggested the propriety of making him speaker of the house, a position he is well qualified to fill.

Ever since the meeting of the last legislature he has been urged to enter the race for lieutenant-governor. The fact that he now announces his candidacy is taken by his many friends to mean that his encouragement has been of the enthusiastic and convincing kind, and he and they look with certainty to his nomination. Those who oppose him will find him a worthy foeman,

but one who will not resort to questionable practices; he will emerge from the contest with perfectly clean hands. He is a gentleman of fine educational and business attainments, and if called to fill the high office to which he aspires the prediction is made in all candor that a better or more thoroughly competent and conscientious man will never fill that position.



HON. HUGH TH. MILLER,
S. G. C., 1889-1894; P. G. C., 1894-1896; R. G. C., 1896-1902.

Brother Miller was editor of *The Scroll*, 1896-1902. The present editors extend their best wishes to their brilliant predecessor. The fraternity in which he has such wide popularity will rejoice to learn of his success.

ROYALL HILL SWITZLER.

An equipment for superb service, a brief but very efficient official career, an influence of greatest loyalty and wholesomeness in fraternity life—these have been abruptly removed from us in large part by the time-consuming demands of commercial activity. All readers of THE SCROLL for the past year have deeply appreciated the faithful maintenance of its high standard of excellence reached under the editorship of Dr. John Edwin Brown and Hugh Thomas Miller. At New

York there was one man to whom the Convention turned with a just confidence for the editorship, and that man was Royall Hill Switzler. It was felt that he would not only pursue a discreet and dignified policy as editor, but also would afford an interesting and thoroughly modern fraternity magazine. It is very easy to assert that in no sense was that expectation disappointed. Brother Switzler has toiled indefatigably with much self-sacrifice and with greatest success, so that he abandons his editorial desk with the regret of every Phi and our unbroken approval of his editorial career.

Brother Switzler came of a family of journalists and from a college community. He was born August 5, 1876, in Columbia, Missouri, and was reared in the atmosphere of the University of Missouri. He is the second of three sons of Irvin and Ellen Runyan Switzler. Both his father and his grandfather, Col. W. F. Switzler, were newspaper men; the latter being also a historian. His preliminary schooling was obtained at the public schools of Columbia, and he entered the University of Missouri with the class of 1897. During the college year, 1894-95, he was absent from college, having joined his grandfather in newspaper work at Boonville, Missouri. Returning the following year, he resumed his high place in scholarship. He was awarded the junior academic scholarship in June, 1897, and was a teaching fellow in mathematics during his last two years at the university. Among the various student activities his interest and participation centred in athletics, the college papers, and cadet corps. Upon the breaking out of the war with Spain in the spring of 1898, in company with a large number of fellow-students Brother Switzler responded to the call for troops. He enlisted in the Fifth Missouri Volunteers, a volunteer regiment raised under the call and commanded by Colonel Milton Moore of Kansas City, and on May 18th was mustered into service as regimental sergeant-major. Later in the summer in the field he was promoted to be second lieutenant and assigned to a company in the same regiment. The Fifth Missouri was one of the many brave regiments which saw service only in hot southern camps, watching and waiting for orders to move to the front, orders which never came. The regiment was mustered in at Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, and after a short time proceeded to Chickamauga Park, where it remained until all need of its services at the front were past. In September it was moved up into Kentucky for a brief stay, and was finally mustered out of service at Kansas

City in November. Brother Switzler was on duty with his regiment during the entire time of its service, and was one of those who escaped with practically no sickness. While at Chickamauga Brother Switzler attended several meetings of Phi there, belonging to the various regiments in camp, and contributed a brief account of them to THE SCROLL at the time. Later he also compiled for THE SCROLL a list of the members of the fraternity who had taken part in the war.



ROYALL HILL SWITZLER.
H. G. C., 1900-1902; R. G. C., 1902-1903.

Although absent with his regiment at Chickamauga Park, Brother Switzler was regularly graduated by the university in June, 1898, with the degree of A. B. *cum laude*. In June, 1899, he was awarded the degree of A. M. He was a member of Q E B H, an honorary senior society, and was duly received into Phi Beta Kappa.

This splendid training was attended with a useful activity in Missouri Alpha. From the date of his initiation, October 10, 1892, until the present time, Brother Switzler has given to Phi Delta Theta his most loyal devotion. His two broth-

ers, Clifford T. Switzler, '94, of Boston, and Wm. F. Switzler, '00, of St. Louis, were members of the same chapter with him. He was the delegate of Missouri Alpha to the Philadelphia Convention, and in 1900 he was elected President of Zeta Province when Brother F. J. R. Mitchell was elected S. G. C. At the Louisville Convention he was elected Historian of the General Council, and at New York he was made Editor of THE SCROLL and *Palladium* and Reporter of the General Council. All of this active service has been rendered in the beginning of a flattering business career. In June, 1899, Brother Switzler moved to St. Louis and became associated with the Bradstreet Company. In April, 1901, he entered the service of the St. Louis Refrigerating and Cold Storage Co., a large corporation, of which he is now Secretary and Treasurer. It was the constantly growing demands of this important position that forced him to give up reluctantly the high official station which he held in the fraternity. In that city whose name is but a synonym for opportunity and energy, Brother Switzler enjoys the affectionate esteem and confidence of a large acquaintance, and his friends will surely witness the fulfillment of his high commercial aspirations. In our official service he has pursued the same sure methods of faithfulness and intelligent performance of duty that have won his enviable position in business. We shall miss his name from our official roster, but we trust at least that we shall always enjoy his handsome and pleasing personality at conventions, and we feel no doubt as to the durability of his love for Phi Delta Theta.

EDWIN EMERSON, JR.

Those who attended the banquet of the New York convention will remember Edwin Emerson, Jr., as one of the toast speakers. He was a member of the class of '89 at Miami, where he joined $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, but he received his degree from Harvard in 1891. He has recently gone to the Far East as war correspondent for the New York *World* and *Collier's Weekly*. He was one of the famous Rough Riders in 1898. From advance sheets of "The History of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity" is taken the following account of his career in the Spanish war:

After consu'. general Fitzhugh Lee and other Americans had left Havana, Edwin Emerson, Jr., Miami, '89, went there in the guise of a German war correspondent. Hostilities having begun, he went to Porto Rico, co-operating with Lieutenant H. H. Whitney, a secret service agent of the War Department.

Emerson, supposed to be a citizen of Germany, was permitted to land at San Juan de Puerto Rico, but, when he had started on a tour of observation through the island, he was arrested and imprisoned. He cleverly managed to escape, and tracking his way across the mountains to the coast, he took passage on a small boat for the Danish West Indies. Lieutenant Whitney having joined him, both returned to Washington, to report in person to General N. A. Miles and the Secretary of War.



EDWIN EMERSON, JR., ROUGH RIDER,
War Correspondent in the Far East for the New York *World* and *Collier's Weekly*.

At Washington he received an urgent invitation from Theodore Roosevelt to join the Rough Riders. He embarked on the next transport for Santiago, arriving there just in time to enlist in Colonel Roosevelt's regiment as it was moving into action. His bearing in his first engagement was such that he was mentioned for gallantry in action and attracted the favorable attention of Joseph Wheeler, commanding the cavalry division of which the Rough

Riders formed a part. At General Wheeler's request, he was transferred to duty on his staff while in Cuba.

In "Alone in Porto Rico," published in the *Century Magazine*, September, 1898, Brother Emerson gave a graphic account of his experiences during his hazardous trip across that island. He is the author of three books relating to the Spanish war—"Told by a Trooper," "In War—In Peace," and "Pepy's Ghost." A sketch of him with the accompanying portrait appeared in THE SCROLL, April, 1899. The portrait is from a photograph taken at Camp Wikoff, Mantauk Point, Long Island, in the summer of 1898. After the Spanish war he acted as war correspondent for various journals in China, South America and elsewhere.

PHI DELTA THETAS AT WEST POINT.

A note from Brother John J. London in the December SCROLL calls attention to the fact that there are ten members of Phi Delta Theta at the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis. This is spoken of as an uncommon, if not unprecedented thing for Phi Delta Theta or any other fraternity. All of this is eminently true and at the same time serves to call attention to the fact that at the present time there are no less than thirteen Phis in the four classes at the United States Military Academy at West Point, and in addition three other Phis have graduated and received their commissions in the regular army in the past two years.

These three graduates are Bros. James Franklin Bell, *Washington and Jefferson*, '98; Frederick William Hinrichs, Jr., *Columbia*, '99, and William Alexander McCain, *Mississippi*, '99. The Phis now in attendance at West Point are as follows:

CLASS OF 1904.

Vaughn Washington Cooper, *Vanderbilt*, '02, comes from Nashville, Tenn. He played at third base on the Varsity baseball team at Vanderbilt and won the same position on the Army team. He made quite a record last fall at half back on the West Point football team which defeated the University of Chicago and other institutions.

CLASS OF 1905.

Adelno Gibson was a member of the class of 1902 at *Iowa Wesleyan* where he was initiated into Phi Delta Theta. His home is in Oskaloosa, Ia. Playing with Brother Patrick H.

Winston, he won the championship in doubles in the West Point tournament last year. Bro. Gibson won the championship of Iowa Wesleyan in singles before coming to West Point.

Allen Wyant Gullion, a graduate of Centre College, Ky., in the class of 1901 hails from New Castle, Ky. He was the valedictorian of his class at Centre and has maintained his high scholarship at the Military Academy. He holds the position of "Buck" at West Point.

Patrick Henry Winston joined Phi Delta Theta at the University of Texas where he was a member of the class of 1902. At Texas he won the undergraduate scholarship medal. He lives in Raleigh, N. C. and is a member of Theta Nu Epsilon. After leaving the University of Texas Bro. Winston went to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he affiliated with the Phi Chapter. Last year he won the tennis championship in singles at West Point, with Bro. Gibson the champion in doubles and played at centre field on the Army baseball team.

CLASS OF 1906.

George LeRoy Converse, Jr., was a member of the class of 1904 at Ohio State University where he was taken into Phi Delta Theta. His home, like that of Dr. Brown and other distinguished men is Columbus, Ohio. Bro. Converse has always maintained a high standing in his work at the Academy.

William Addleman Ganoe, *Dickinson*, '02, took his bachelor's degree like Bro. Gullion before entering West Point. His home is Jersey Shore, Pa. He achieved distinction at the Academy by winning a place on the "Hundredth Night" committee. At Dickinson Bro. Ganoe was president of the musical and glee clubs, leader of the glee club, a member of the Raven's Claw, the senior honorary society, quarter-back on the Varsity football team and a prominent member of the college dramatic club.

George Milburne Morrow, Jr., was a member of the class of 1904 at the University of Virginia where he was initiated into Phi Delta Theta. He is also a Southerner, his home being in Birmingham, Ala.

Still another Southern Phi at the Academy is John George Quekmeyer, who lives in Yazoo City, Miss., and who joined Phi Delta Theta at the University of Mississippi, where he was enrolled in the class of 1905.

CLASS OF 1907.

Phi Delta Theta is represented in the first-year class by the unusually large number of five men. They are Ewers Purdy

Aldredge, *Lafayette*, '05; Thomas Lee Coles, *Alabama*, '04, who attended the New York convention; Richard Huntington Kimball, *Texas*, '03, a member of the Texas Beta Chapter House Corporation; Frederick Almyron Prince, *Knox*, '06, who made an enviable record on the 'Varsity football team at the Academy last fall, and Edwin Martin Watson, *Washington and Lee*, '02, who is a native of Martinsville, Va.

It will be noticed how the number of Phis increases in the lower classes, which seems to show that more are going to West Point every year. It will be interesting to note how many matriculate with the class of 1908, to verify this theory. It is also worthy of remark that of the thirteen Phis eight come from the South as compared with three from the middle West and two from the East, both of these latter from the state of Pennsylvania. The record on the whole is one of which the fraternity might well be proud and one which, it is thought, has not been equaled by any other fraternity.

BERNARD M. L. ERNST.

REUNION OF VERMONT PHIS.

A reunion of all the living graduates of People's Academy at Morrisville, Vt., who have joined $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ was held at the residence of Thomas C. Cheney, Morrisville, December 26, 1903. In nineteen years this academy has sent out eighteen men who have become Phis. With the exception of H. M. C. Chase and S. L. Gates, both of Vermont Alpha, class of '88, all of the eighteen are living. The boys are well scattered, some having come from Minneapolis, Boston, New York, Albany and Schenectady, but all were present. It is very doubtful whether another fitting school in the entire country, located in a village of 1500 inhabitants, has sent out so many graduates in the last nineteen years who have become members of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ as has the People's Academy. The following account of the reunion is clipped from the Morrisville *News and Citizen*:

The home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Cheney of this place was the scene Saturday afternoon of a very pleasant gathering of alumni and undergraduates of the University of Vermont. The occasion was a reunion of the graduates of People's Academy, who entered the university and became members of Vermont Alpha chapter of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. Every living Phi graduate of the academy, to the number of 16, was present, several of the alumni coming long distances to attend this unique reunion. The alumni of People's Academy present were:—

Dr. John C. Morgan of Stowe, '00; T. C. Cheney of Morrisville, '91; E. C. Mower of Burlington, '92; C. F. Blair, '99, of Morrisville, now in Harvard Law School; Glen Gould of Albany, N. Y., '00; V. W. Dodge of Minneapolis, Minn., '01; George L. Morse of Schenectady, N. Y., '02; Levi Munson of Morrisville, '02; Hollis Gray of Burlington, '03; Leslie Carpenter of New York City, '04; Guy Varnum of Burlington, '04; Nehemiah Town of Cadys Falls, '05; James Reed of Morrisville, '06; Harold Adams of Morrisville, '06; Harry Woodward of Morrisville, '07.

Other members of the fraternity who were present were, Prof. W. A. Beebe, '89, now in his fifteenth successive year as principal of the Academy; C. C. Fullington of Newark, N. J., formerly of Johnson, Dartmouth, '02; Arthur Stearns of Johnson, Dartmouth, '07; John Lamberton of Morrisville, '07 and W. L. Orton, Leslie Cunningham and W. Mack, all of Vermont, '04.

After sitting for group photographs the alumni were royally entertained at a lunch tendered them by Mr. and Mrs. Cheney, where Mrs. W. A. Beebe and

Miss Blanche Foss assisted in serving. Mrs. H. P. Munson, Mrs. E. A. Dodge, Mrs. Geo. L. Morse and Mrs. W. A. Adams assisted in preparing the repast.

The men students at Cornell apparently are harder workers than the co-eds. This is shown by the results of the week of tab-keeping some time ago. The figures are confined to the College of Arts and Sciences, but this is the largest college in the university, and the one in which practically all of the co-eds are registered. The mass of figures gathered showed that the men and women respectively spend each twenty-four hours as follows: Work, time for men, $8\frac{1}{2}$ hours; time for women, $7\frac{3}{4}$ hours; amusement, time for men, $2\frac{3}{4}$ hours; time for women, $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours; physical exercises, time for men, $1\frac{3}{4}$ hours; time for women, $1\frac{3}{4}$ hours; meals, time for men, $1\frac{1}{4}$ hours; time for women, $1\frac{3}{4}$ hours; sleep, time for men, $8\frac{1}{4}$ hours; time for women, $7\frac{3}{4}$ hours; unclassified, time for men, $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours; time for women, $2\frac{1}{4}$ hours. According to President Schurman a model student should work eleven hours a day.



THOMAS C. CHENEY, VERMONT, '91.

EDITORIAL.

THE journey away from college days creates the necessity of scrupulous preservation of all the choice and precious memories of student life. The annual observance of Alumni Day has therefore, two essential elements, for the recalling of college memories and student friendships does of necessity intensify the devotion to the larger friend and brother of to-day. Sad is the time when the college and fraternity man allows his old loves to be merged into the furious turmoil of his life pursuits. Herein lies one of the great offices of a college fraternity, and in order to give it concrete performance, Phi Delta Theta maintains, with great pride and deep insistence, Alumni Day, as an intensely important institution.

The General Council has chosen for this occasion a subject that will enable the oldest and most inactive alumnus to pour out a wealth of sentiment and of love. It may at first hearing sound trite—"Phi Delta Theta's Contribution to Our Life Equipment,"—but it is the theme which will instinctively arise in the minds of Phi Delta Thetas who meet to pledge again their loyalty; and then when we estimate how much of real education of heart and mind we have derived from our fraternity life and how much richer thereby are we, both inwardly and outwardly, we will feel "the larger heart, the kindlier hand," and all our problems how to give to the Fraternity the true measure of service will be solved.

It is devoutly to be hoped that the celebrations everywhere on March 15 will, in success and number, excel anything attempted heretofore. For us this should be an annual day of thanksgiving as well as of handshaking and resolutions. The past year has been one of larger development for Phi Delta Theta. Seven splendid chapter homes—Texas, Michigan, Cleveland, Vermont, Allegheny, Ohio Wesleyan and Wabash—have been acquired. Three chapters—Iowa, Southwestern and Randolph-Macon—have rented houses for the first time. These achievements have added incomparably to the strength

and prestige of the Fraternity. Other chapterhouse movements are in progress. The Sewanee chapter, which built the first house of all, is preparing to erect a handsome stone lodge this spring. Nebraska Alpha is arranging to build. Missouri Beta has bought a fine lot and will build next summer. Virginia Zeta and others have caught the chapterhouse fever. If the record for the next year will equal this, there will be left but twelve unhoused chapters out of sixty-eight. And side by side with this material development, the Fraternity has grown in internal organization, and never were its chapters stronger in their several colleges than they are to-day.

EVERY year the alumni clubs should be also practical in their discussion. The maintenance of individual friendships will easily take care of itself; but how to keep alive an alumni club and make it as efficient as it ought to be, is an important and ever difficult problem. In several of the largest cities they pursue the delightful method of having weekly alumni lunches, the effects of which are to bring Phis together often and recall their common basis of brotherhood. In other cities the local chapterhouse is also admirably used as an alumni clubhouse. In each of these methods there is a constant rallying point in which the alumni are brought into close relations with each other. Where neither is feasible, some other ingenious plan must be devised, and this ought to be this year in such places the subject of earnest consideration. The alumni clubs ought to resolve to meet more often than once a year, and to vary the form of entertainments. Local conditions in each case surely ought to suggest feasible means to realize greater usefulness for the alumni clubs. It is true of these as of every other social, educational or religious organization, that the life and usefulness of each is but the aggregate of the appreciation and effort given to it by its constituent members, and the benefits to the individuals are entirely dependent upon their interested and active participation.

THE great Louisiana Purchase Exposition will doubtless attract many Phi Delta Thetas to St. Louis next summer.

During each exposition nearly every day is appointed for meetings of all kinds, which are scheduled upon the official calendar. While no official gathering of Phis is in contemplation, there is no reason why a time most convenient to all might not be designated for prospective Phi visitors to be there together. Certain days could easily be agreed on, a meeting place at the exposition ought to be obtained without difficulty; and with but little trouble, few details and no other preparation, a large and delightful company of the wearers of the sword and shield could be brought together for a happy informal reunion. We believe so ardently in the efficacy of personal association in promoting the very highest ends of our fraternity that we want to see as many Phis come together in as many places at as many times, as possible. This suggestion, we feel sure, will meet with the willingness of the proper officers to make the few necessary arrangements and of all members everywhere to make their visits to St. Louis at a time to be agreed upon. We hope later to announce some definite plans to fulfill this suggestion.

IT is important that the freshman should be taught the things he ought to know to become a useful member of the chapter. And now is the time to begin to teach him. "Train up a child in the days of his youth," etc., which Scriptural adage applied to fraternities means that, if the older members will take the pains to instruct the young members in the various lines of chapter work, the latter will acquire their experience, and the future success of the chapter will be assured. The freshman has been a member for about half a collegiate year, and he should now be attending a school of instruction, to acquire a practical knowledge of fraternity affairs.

THE freshman should be required to learn all he can about the history of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ and of his own chapter. He should be put through a course of study on the constitution and general statutes, until he should become thoroughly acquainted with the organization of the fraternity and of the chapter and the

functions of the various officers, general and local. He should be made familiar with the usages of the fraternity and the traditions of the chapter. He should be made to remember the names of the great men in $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, especially the names of those to whom the chapter points with most pride—her own sons. He should be taught as much as may be known about rival fraternities, the differences between these fraternities in membership, chapters and policy, and how $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ compares with them in these respects.

THE proper time to teach the freshman these things is in the first year of his membership, when he is still burning with an unquenched ardor to learn all that he can about the fraternity. Begin to drill him at once, and, by means of fraternity examinations, ascertain whether he has learned the essential facts; if not exercise patience and keep him studying until he has mastered the subject. If he is properly drilled it is entirely possible to make him a fairly good fraternity man the same year of his initiation. He should be trained in the most approved methods of rushing new men. With this part of his education unusual pains should be taken.

PERHAPS some of the more apt freshmen may reach such a proficiency by the end of this collegiate year that they may be of much service in rushing men next year. They are acquainted with the men who will come up next fall from the same preparatory schools which they attended, and they can be of aid in securing such of these men as the chapter may select, but unless they are trained in proper rushing methods they might do more harm than good. Therefore, they should be drilled in the tactics and ethics of spiking. They should be required to take the leading parts in a spiking campaign wholly within the chapter, using their arguments and powers of persuasion on older members, who should criticise their mistakes and praise their creditable performances.

ELSEWHERE is given a formal description of the magnificent new home of Michigan Alpha. For more than a year it has

been well known that our Michigan brothers were building and equipping a chapterhouse that would impregnably strengthen the chapter and arouse the deepest pride of the whole Fraternity. Now it is with intense pleasure that we view this completed house and say all hail to Michigan Alpha! When one reads Brother Palmer's interesting story of the struggles of our Michigan and Wisconsin chapters, he appreciates for its true value the great stability and prestige which they enjoy to-day in their institutions. The whole Fraternity will honor them for their splendid triumph over all the persecutions of rivals and the difficulties of acquiring their handsome homes. We are glad to present the floor plans as well as the exterior view of this model chapterhouse, so that those chapters contemplating the erection of homes may derive from them a real help in formulating their plans.

ON another page we have endeavored to pay a deserved tribute to ROYALL H. SWITZLER, who retired from the editorship with the December issue. It is difficult, especially upon suddenly assuming these duties in the middle of a volume, to exercise anything like the discriminating and artistic skill with which Brother Switzler wrought; and while we enjoy keenly this new service, we yield to no one in regret over his retirement. Although due announcement as to the present management has been made, the editor takes great pleasure in gratefully acknowledging his indebtedness to that veteran leader, editor, historian—WALTER B. PALMER—for his consent to serve as assistant editor. In fact, he would not have been willing to undertake this work without Brother Palmer's assistance. So famous for his variety and immensity of fraternity lore and so indefatigable in his long service to Phi Delta Theta, Brother Palmer needs only to be announced in this capacity to win encomiums from all who read *THE SCROLL*. And if some should say that the editorial staff is in inverse proportion to its weight and ability, no one will more heartily admit it than the editor-in-chief himself. We have great pleasure in the prospect of this engaging work

which will bring us into a closer intimacy with an aristocracy of heart and mind that ever delights with its purity and attractiveness.

ONE vital cause of success in the acquirement of chapter-houses is a scrupulous observance of the chapter's duties and obligations in detail. It may properly be said, of course, that this is requisite to the proper maintenance of any chapter. The possession of a chapterhouse is, however, a pretty sure evidence of the highest form of fraternity life; and yet, some of our strongest chapters, on account of unfavorable local conditions, have not yet acquired homes. Nearly all of those chapters occupying houses have been careful with their internal organization, which has developed the earnestness of spirit that has enabled them to reach their present prosperity. The burden of maintaining homes does not generally even cause them to be insensible to their general fraternity duties. In this we are merely taking the chapter house as a type of strength and prosperity, and the principle we mean to insist upon is that of close and rigid performance of all duties of internal organization as the practical basis of distinctive chapter prosperity.

COLLEGE fraternities differ from other fraternal associations in that their active membership rapidly changes, and changes entirely within three or four years. It often happens that a chapter may seem to be exceedingly prosperous, because it is managed by a few experienced leaders, but, when they have been graduated, the chapter, in the following year, may exhibit lamentable weakness, unless the under-classmen have received sufficient training in routine duties. The younger members should be impressed with the importance of fitting themselves to become efficient fraternity workers. The strong, healthy chapter is not one in which the organization is entirely in charge of a few older men but one in which every member has something to do and even the youngest is entrusted with some degree of responsibility.

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

QUEBEC ALPHA, MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

The winter season always brings with it a certain number of social events and since last writing each faculty has indulged in its own way, arts and science giving very successful dances while medicine and law kept to their historic dinners. Besides these science sophomores held a dinner, Bro. Bell being on the committee and Bro. Hibbard down for a toast, while Bro. Housser, arts, '06, and Bro. Drysdale, science, '04, were representatives.

On January 4, Z Psi, the pioneer fraternity in Canada, held a reception to celebrate their 21st year at McGill. Bro. Sellery, '04, was present.

On February 3, the Medical Society held its Quarter Century Anniversary although founded twenty-seven years ago by Dr. William Osler, McGill, '72, now of Johns Hopkins. The principal feature of the evening was a debate, when Bro. Faulkner, '04, was leader of the affirmative.

In the Toronto-McGill debate held here on January 22, we had again to go down before our old rival.

In hockey also McGill has not been very successful, only winning one of the four games against Toronto and Queen's. The latter saved a three corner tie and won the championship by defeating McGill on February 19.

In basketball, though, our team when they travelled to Kingston, were able to defeat Queen's by 9 to 7. In the future a basketball intercollegiate series may be formed.

The glee and banjo club contemplates a tour very shortly before its annual concert.

This is the season of the annual meetings of the different lines of sport. The old athletic club has been reorganized as the track club, while the new athletic club will have general supervision of all clubs. Two pledges, Gordon Brown, '06, and E. M. Benedict, '06, were elected treasurer of track club and secretary of football club, respectively.

Bro. Russell, Purdue, '03, who spent several weeks in the city, has been called back to New York by business. We trust other Phis coming to Montreal will call at the chapter house. LYMAN C. LAUCHLAND.

Montreal, February 23, 1904.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

Since our last letter was sent to THE SCROLL, some very gratifying news has been announced to Colby students. At the December meeting of the board of trustees, several proposed plans were approved, and work will be begun on them at once. The gymnasium will be remodeled, so as to better accommodate the needs of athletic interests. The athletic field is to be made over and a grand stand seating a thousand is to be erected; the Hersey House or "Commons" is to be removed from the athletic field to a position to the east. These changes, when carried out, will raise Colby's standing in athletic matters. As opposed to this very gratifying news, Colby has just heard with regret of the resignation of Dr. W. S. Bayley, professor of mineralogy and geology. The resignation is to take effect at the end of the present collegiate year.

Maine Alpha has recently made an addition to her hall furnishing supplies. The chapter, we believe, is on the ascendant. The present year promises to be a very successful and prosperous one.

The chapter now enrolls twenty-six members, two of the Bros. being out of college the present term. They are Bro. Joseph U. Teogue, '06, and Bro. Byron A. Wright, '07. Some of the honors taken by our men since the last report are as follows: Bro. Field, '05, President of the athletic association; Bro. Shepherd, '07, a member of the executive committee of the athletic association; Bro. Hoyt, '05, manager of football team for 1904; Bro. Spencer, '06, is on the 'Varsity basketball team; Bros. Coy and Field made the junior honorary parts.

ARTHUR L. FIELD.

Waterville, February 6, 1904.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

Since the last chapter letter, Massachusetts Alpha has initiated two more men from the class of 1907, whom we gladly present as Phis: Bros. Henry Appleton Knowles, of Boston, Mass., and George Ryer Hotaling, of New York City.

The basketball team this season has been playing decidedly erratic ball. Opening the season by defeating Yale, they next lost to Columbia in New York City. Rallied again, the team twice defeated easily the strong Fitchburg Y. M. C. A. five, which last year's championship team won from with the greatest difficulty. For the first time in three years, however, the home team lost on their own floor, Minnesota doing the trick by a score of 10-6. In the last game at the present writing, Williams defeated Syracuse by the close score of 25-24. Williams will run against Dartmouth in the relay race February 13 at the B. A. A. meet in Mechanics hall, Boston. In the individual events also the Berkshire college will be well represented.

Owing to the winter season and mid-year examinations, college activities have been rather dormant. However, at the class-day elections of 1904, Bro. Squires, '05, was elected one of the five seniors on the class-day committee. On the junior relay team $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ had two men, Bro. U. A. Newell, '05, captain, and Bro. Ayers, '05. Bro. Crooker, '05, also represented the chapter on the class basketball team. At the regular December election of the *Williams Weekly* board, Bro. A. P. Newell, '05, was chosen assistant editor-in-chief to succeed the present editor-in-chief after April 1. Bro. U. A. Newell, '05, is one of the Williams relay team of four men who will run against Dartmouth at the annual meet of the Boston Athletic Association. Bro. Case, '06, was selected to represent the fraternity on the sophomore promi. committee.

On January 26, Massachusetts Alpha sustained its first loss by death in recent years. Bro. William McKenzie Russell, ex-'05, died suddenly at Ithaca, N. Y., from the effects of an operation for appendicitis. In 1901, Bro. Russell entered Williams with the present junior delegation. Having a pronounced aptitude for mechanics, he subsequently decided to abandon the classical course here and to register at Cornell in the engineering department. It was at this university that his unexpected death occurred. The junior delegation attended the funeral at the home in Great Barrington, Mass. In the death of Bro. Russell, every man in the chapter who was with him in college feels the deepest personal loss, for in his enthusiastic life here he was a brother in the Bond in the truest sense.

Williamstown, February 11, 1904.

ALBERT P. NEWELL.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

Athletic activities at Amherst are at present well sustained by the different teams. Last week we were well represented at the B. A. A. meet at Boston. Our relay team easily defeated Cornell. Amherst also got first place in the novice 440 yard dash and third in the shot put. Two weeks before the relay team ran at New York and lost to Pennsylvania by a very small margin.

The basketball team has not been up to the standard of other years even if there are two *Phis* on the team. The team has won three games and lost three. Candidates are already out trying for the baseball team. Bro. Shay, who is captain, is being well supported by good material in the chapter. There are seven of the brothers trying for positions on the team. Bro. McRae was assistant pitcher on last year's team and is working for the position this year.

The management has engaged Thomas J. Dowd of Holyoke, Mass., as coach for this year's team. "Tommy" has had a wide and varied experience on the diamond with both professional and college men. He coached the famous Brown team of 1894 and later he occupied the same position at Georgetown University. Since leaving Georgetown he has played every year on some one of the professional leagues. He was a member of the St. Louis national league team for seven years where he played the position of center field and second base. It is yet too early to predict the quality of the team for the coming season, but from all present indications Amherst should be well up to her last few years record.

The Olio, a book published by the junior class of Amherst College made its appearance just before the new year vacation. It contains an account of the activities of college life during the past year, the organization and records of the various college associations, membership roll of the fraternities and complete data concerning the college together with a large department of jokes, grinds etc. Bro. R. J. Boctomy represented us as editor-in-chief.

The play to be presented by the senior dramatics this year is Sheridan's "School for Scandal." The play is already well underway; the first production will probably be given in March. We are represented in this department by Bro. O'Donnell, as manager, and Bro. Turner as one of the leading characters.

The junior "prom", which was to be held Feb. 15, had to be postponed until spring term on account of the failure of the local water supply. The water famine, however, did not prove of long duration and we are again enjoying the sparkling beverage of Pelham hills.

The chapter is in good flourishing condition. The membership list numbers 33. We are represented in nearly every line of college activity. We have had, we are glad to say, an unusually large number of visiting *Phis* thus far during the winter. We shall be glad to see more and will try to give a true Phi Delta Theta welcome to one and all.

Amherst, February 17, 1904.

DAVID E. GREENAWAY.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

A bomb-shell has just broken over the university in the form of the "Eligibility Rules" in regard to athletics. For the last two months the question has been raging as to whether Brown athletes should be allowed to play summer baseball or whether the old rule (forbidding summer ball playing), which has caused so much deceit and playing under false pretences,

should still be kept. The board of directors of the athletic association decided to change the old rule, and have done so, publishing a set of resolutions to that effect. It remains to be seen whether the board will be upheld in its action or not. The majority of the student body is behind its board.

The new Brown "Union" has been running now for two months and is very popular. The first reception in the building was held February 16 and was largely attended, over 4000 invitations being sent out.

Candidates for the baseball team have been called out and practice in the cage is progressing. The squad having been already reduced, numbers thirty men. The team goes South on a practice trip during the Easter vacation.

Basketball has been the chief attraction in athletics this winter, and our team has done remarkably well, so far having defeated Williams, Wesleyan, Amherst and Harvard. Dartmouth plays here February 20.

The track squad is working in the gymnasium, getting ready for the coming mid-winter meet to be held on February 27. In the B. A. A. meet at Boston last week, Lamkie of Brown won second in the forty yard novice. The relay team in the same meet lost to Bowdoin, one of the team slipping and falling at the first turn.

The hockey team has finished its schedule having been defeated by Yale, Harvard and Columbia.

The "Gymnasium Ball" and the "Sophomore Ball" have come and gone, being successful in every way. Bro. McIntyre, '06, officiated on the "Sophomore Ball" committee.

A team has just been chosen for a debate with Johns Hopkins.

Rhode Island Alpha holds her annual alumni dinner on March 2 at the Crown Hotel, Providence. Bro. Stark, '07, has been chosen captain of his class relay team. Bro. McIntyre, '04, has been appointed a member of the Brown banquet committee.

Bro. Tift, '07, took first president premium in French.

Bros. Kelley and Marshall, '06, have left college on account of their prolonged illness. They will return next year, however. B. H. BUXTON.

Providence, February 19, 1904.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

At Cornell we have just passed through the midyear examinations. The faculty was stricter than ever this year, one hundred and six men, failing to obtain the required ten hours, were dropped from the university.

Junior week followed examination week, and New York Alpha with nineteen guests, had one of the largest house parties on the hill. Tuesday evening we gave our Annual Junior Week dance to about four hundred guests. The Sophomores Cotillion took place on Wednesday evening, Bro. deFuniak very creditably filling the position of leader. Bro. Tolins was a member of the Junior Promenade committee which deserves credit for furnishing one of the best balls ever held in the Armory. During the week eight of her fraternities entertained the upper class men and their guests; there being five dances and three teas. The Junior Promenade and Sophomores Cotillion committees turned over their net profits of about seven hundred and fifty (\$750) dollars to the Athletic association. The Masque and Glee Club entertainments netted about three thousand (\$3,000) dollars. Bro. Jennings, who is again coaching the baseball team, reports a good outlook. The team plays twenty eight games, fourteen of which are scheduled in Ithaca. At Easter time the team will take its Southern trip, but the Eastern trip has been abandoned.

Bro. Rogers, captain of the 1907 track team, is a member of the relay team and promises to do good work this spring. Since our last letter Bros. Curtis F. Aeliaume, of Oriskany, N. Y., William J. Dugan, of Pueblo, Col., and Howard M. Rogers, of Sherborn, Mass., have been initiated into our chapter.
Ithaca, February 16, 1904.

RICHARD CHASE.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

We desire to introduce as a brother Phi, Geo. G. Turner, '07, philosophical, of Malone, N. Y.

Since our last letter Phi Delta Theta has again come to the front in college honors. Bro. Whitney, '06, was elected president of his class. Bro. Distin, '05, assistant manager of the track team, Bro. Sanford, '05, assistant manager of baseball.

The nineteen hundred four Senior week beginning Feb. 9th was the most successful in the history of the university. It was ushered in by a number of functions on Tuesday evening at several of the men's fraternity houses. Phi Delta Theta gave a dance in the city. On Wednesday evening they attended the Glee club concert in a body; after which they entertained at the "Lodge." On Thursday evening a majority of the active chapter attended the Senior Ball. The decorations are conceded to have been the finest seen at a similar function in this section. Bros. Twombly and Rubin were members of the Senior ba'l committee, Bro. Rubin being chairman.

The chapter letter shows a falling off in membership of nearly all the fraternities.

Our annual alumni banquet will be held March 11. It is expected that a number of plans of interest to the local chapter will be brought forward.
Syracuse, February 16, 1904.

HARRISON D. SANFORD.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

The new catalogue, which is being published, shows the enrollment in college to be 429 (a decrease of 5 over that of last year) divided as follows:—graduates 12, seniors 80, juniors 97, sophomores 100, and freshmen 130.

The football season closed on Thanksgiving Day with a defeat at the hands of Dickinson. Taken as a whole, the past football season was a success, with seven decisive victories, and three defeats; the other two defeats were sustained at the hands of our old rivals, Lehigh and Princeton. The splendid showing against Princeton merited much applause, and was as brilliant as it was unexpected. We lose only two men this year, and with our coach, Dr. Bull, back again, our chances for a victorious team next year are of the very best.

Owing to faculty intervention, Lafayette will not be represented this winter in basket ball. The bowling alleys in Brainerd Hall have been renovated, and bowling has become quite popular, taking the place of basket ball to a certain extent. Class games are now being played. Bro. Kirkpatrick, '07, is captain of his class team, of which team Bro. McPherson, '07, is a member.

Athletic relations have been renewed with the University of Pennsylvania, and baseball and football games have been definitely scheduled. It is also probable that Lafayette will send a relay team to Pennsylvania in the spring. Thanks are greatly due to Bro. Radcliffe, '77, for bringing about this reconciliation.

The new Δ K E house is completed and is now occupied by the members of that fraternity. The house makes a good appearance, being of the old English style of architecture, and costing about \$15,000.

The musical association is practicing hard in preparation for their regular Easter trip. Bros. Alexander, '06, and Wilson, '06, are members of this organization, of which Bro. Wilson is assistant manager.

Bro. Cooper, '05, our delegate to the Alpha province convention, returned from Syracuse, delighted with his trip, and made a very good report.

Bro. Pomeroy, '05, has been chosen treasurer of the student's assemblies, committee; he is also chairman of the supper committee of the junior hop.

The 1905 *Melange* expects to make its appearance at the end of this term. *The Melange*, of which Bro. Latham, '05, is manager, will this year include some new and original features.

Bro. J. W. McIntre, '06, has been elected a member of Sock and Buskin. Bros. Johnston, '04, and Lathen, '05, are also members of this club. Bro. J. W. McIntre has been elected secretary of his class.

Bro. Isett, '01, of the senior class of Princeton Theological Seminary, was recently elected an honorary member of Clio hall of Princeton University. The unusual honor was conferred upon him of setting aside the by-laws to elect him as their quota of members from the seminary had already been filled.

The chapter has recently had the pleasure of entertaining Bros. Isett, '01, Allen, '94, Saxton, '97, Pierce, '99, Trout, '03, Roper, '02, Spooner, ex-'06, Wilzin, ex-'05, Harleman, Pa. E., '02, and Turner, Tenn. A., '91.

Bros. Pierce, '07, and Emmons, '07, have left college, but contemplate entering again with the class of 1908.

E. GRAHAM WILSON.

Easton, January 20, 1904.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

The musical clubs will make their annual trip this year a little later than usual. Beginning Feb. 25 and ending March 10, they will visit portions of Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Virginia, giving concerts at eight different places. Owing to sickness, Bros. Fisher and Trump will not be able to accompany the clubs, leaving Bro. Singmaster as our only representative.

The baseball schedule is just published and from appearances is the best we have ever had. The team is making good use of the cage and the only requisite to develop the encouraging number of applicants is some weather suitable for out-door work.

The basketball team has been playing good ball, winning all games up to date. They were accompanied on the trip to Bucknell, Williamsport and Streter by Bro. Muhlenberg, who played left guard.

Bro. H. H. Keller, '01, although losing the sight of his left eye in a gunning accident, has resumed his studies in law at the University of Pennsylvania.

Bro. J. C. Meisenhelder, '97, has resigned his position of resident physician at the Moses Taylor Hospital at Scranton, and is practicing at Hanover, Pa.

Bros. Eppler and Fisher have been confined to their rooms since the term opened. Many of the chapter and college have had severe attacks of cold and la grippe.

We have had very pleasant and helpful visits from Bro. F. P. Turner, Tenn. Alpha, '91; Bro. J. C. Meisenhelder, '01, and Bro. S. B. Meisenhelder, '04. Gettysburg, February 17, 1904.

H. S. TRUMP.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

The winter term with its basketball, society, and work is in full course. Owing to an action of the faculty prohibiting a 'Varsity basketball team, all the interest in that line is centred in the class teams, among which there is

fair equality and intense rivalry. We are represented on the freshman team by Bro. Hughes.

Among the various honors conferred upon Phis since our last letter are the following: Bro. Stockton has been elected to the '06 *Pandora* board. Bro. Davis has been elected P. and U. debater for the annual inter-society contest, Bros. Crow and Hughes are members of the glee club of which Bro. McElroy is manager. Bro. Grubbs is preparing one of the hardest football schedules we have had in years.

The baseball outlook for this spring is very bright. W. & J. never had a better staff of first class pitchers than she will start the next season with, and we should do even better than we did last year which was to lose but one out of twenty-two college games, and that one to Bro. Hughes, then attending Wooster.

We desire to introduce Bros. Paul A. Stuart and James Ralph Bailey who have been initiated since our last letter.

Pennsylvania Gamma is willing to exchange college pennants with any chapter so desiring.

HORACE W. DAVIS.

Washington, February 15, 1904.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

The fall term of the present collegiate year closed December 19; the winter term opens with Allegheny College and Pennsylvania Delta in characteristic prosperity.

Our football team closed the season with a good record; while we did not win every game the end of the season showed a good balance in the general score in favor of Allegheny. We played State College on their home grounds and there scored on them, a thing never before done on State's own ground. Bro. Turner and Bro. Hayes represented $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ on the team.

Just at present we are in the midst of our basketball season. Thus far we have played four games and won three. Our schedule this year is the best we have ever had; we play many of the best known teams, including the Buffalo Germans. Bro. McArthur is captain of the team and Bro. Turner, forward.

Our glee and mandolin clubs, during the Christmas vacation, made a two weeks trip, having engagements in several cities in Western New York and Pennsylvania, including three dates in and about Pittsburg. The glee club, this year, is most successful and prosperous. Bro. Swanson is leader, and Bros. R. N. Merrill, C. C. Merrill, King, Freeman, Clark and Giese, members.

Considerable interest has been awakened in oratory and debating. The college classes have arranged a series of debates,—the seniors to contest with the juniors; the sophomores with the freshmen, and the winners of these to try in the final contests.

The chapter is enjoying prosperity. Since our last letter we have initiated Frank Meredith Thompson, of Canonsburg, Pa., and Cinette Grant Farr, of Fayetteville, W. V., and pledged Joseph M. Kunkle, of Johnstown, Pa., J. Wesley Ballantyne, of Derry, Pa., and Earl M. Giese, of Wheeling, W. Va.

Meadville, February 7, 1904.

BRUCE WRIGHT.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

After a fall term of strenuous rushing and initiating, Pennsylvania Epsilon settled down to a winter term of external quiet, but of great internal activity, strengthening the bond of union between the brothers. There have been no

new pledges this term to any of the fraternities, and but one initiate, this one into B Θ II.

The active chapter gave a smoker to the new men and faculty Phis on the evening of December 11, and the 19 inst. will give a euchre party at the chapter house. Φ Δ Θ is also well represented at the fortnightly dances of the Cosmus club, and has as large a membership in the club as any other fraternity.

The grand council of II B Φ announces the establishment at Dickinson of Pennsylvania Gamma of II B Φ, Monday, December 21. At the establishment of the chapter there were seventeen charter members, two of the initiates being ladies of the 1903 class. About the last of January the Φ K Ψ fraternity bought a house on High street opposite the campus, which they will occupy as a chapter house about April 1st. Φ Δ Θ, Σ X and Φ K Ψ are the only fraternities here now owning houses, that of Φ Δ Θ being the only one on the campus.

At the annual election of officers of the athletic association, Bro. H. W. Smith was elected president, and Bro. E. B. Keeley, assistant football manager. As Bro. Keeley, who is at present with a piano firm in New York City, did not return after Christmas, Φ Δ Θ furnished another for his position, and Bro. Judy was elected by a large majority. This means that Bro. Judy will be the manager for the season of 1905. Bro. Spedden is one of the three inter-society debaters, and so possesses one of the highest honors offered by the literary societies.

We do not have a basketball 'varsity, but inter-class games furnish great interest. Baseball practice has been begun and a good schedule is announced. In football, our team won for Dickinson twelfth place among the colleges in this sport, by their excellent playing of last fall.

Bros. J. M. Stein, '87, Appleman, '03, and H. P. Stuart, '03, have been welcome visitors at the Φ Δ Θ house during the past month.

Carlisle, February 15, 1904.

Wm. H. CHEESMAN.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

At present the combined Musical Clubs are taking a trip in New England. The clubs have been very successful this year and their concerts have been well attended. Bros. Richards, Bruner, Tobias and H. Block are members. The rehearsals for the Mask and Wig's Easter production, "Alice in Anotherland," are well under way. The cast and chorus have been chosen, and Phi Delta Theta is the only fraternity represented by three men in the cast; namely, Bros. B. and A. Ludlow and Bartle. B Θ II has two; Δ Ψ has two; Δ T, one; Ψ T, one; Φ Γ Δ, one. In the chorus we are represented by Bros. Goodin, Hall, Van Court, Allison, and C. Block. The season will open at Atlantic City on April 2d, followed by a week in Philadelphia at the Chestnut Street Opera House. The following week a performance will be given at Washington and probably at Baltimore.

Just before the mid-year examinations the freshmen held a successful banquet, carefully evading the Sophomores, who were sent out to Germantown on a "wild goose" chase. Bros. Bilyeu and Hawley, as secretary and vice-president, responded to toasts. On February 8, the Ivy Ball was held at Horticultural Hall. This is the largest dance of the year, and it was very successful. Bro. Davis was on the committee. The Junior banquet will be held on the twenty-sixth of this month. Bro. Hall is a member of the committee.

On February 25 Pennsylvania Zeta gives its annual Tea. This is a noteworthy event, and this year it will be followed by a smoker for the men at

the near by preparatory schools. At a recent meeting of the "Red and Blue" Board, Bro. Richards was elected a member of the Board of Editors.

During the engagement of "The Darling of the Gods," Bro. Haines, Missouri, '89, the leading man of the company, visited the chapter house and met several of the brothers. We were particularly glad to have Brother Haines with us, and we hope more of the brothers will visit our home.

Pennsylvania now holds second place in the Inter-Collegiate Basketball Championship. The one mile relay team defeated Amherst in New York last week. One of the events of the swimming season will be the dual meet with Yale at Houston Club. Bro. McCarly, as captain of the team, hopes to defeat the Yale team, in a majority of the events. The baseball outlook is very bright this season, and we hope to have a championship team.

Philadelphia, February 15, 1904. ROLLIN CANTWELL BARTLE.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

With the opening of Williams Hall, Lehigh obtained greater facilities for handling the large number of students who yearly enter the mechanical and mining engineering courses. Previous to the opening of this new building these departments were rather handicapped for want of room.

Improvements have also been made upon the athletic field so as to allow a greater seating capacity than has heretofore been the case.

The outlook for athletics is better than has been the case for several years. With more money in the treasury than has ever before been the case and with plenty of good material there is no reason why the teams representing Lehigh in baseball, lacrosse and on the track should not be ones of which she can be proud. The indoor practice for baseball has started in earnest. There is a lack of good new pitching material which is rather discouraging as the team will have to rely upon Bro. Badgley almost entirely in this line. Since our last letter we have initiated six men and we take great pleasure in introducing Bros. Fred. P. Bates, Williamsport, Pa.; Chas. W. Blazer, Newton, N. J.; John Faber Haust, Philadelphia, Pa.; Edgar R. Treverton, Carlisle, Pa., and Robert L. Lafferander, Layville, Long Island. Besides this we have pledged Wm. McCleary, who entered the sophomore class at the beginning of the second term. McCleary is a good basketball player and is also a promising football and baseball man.

Bro. Daugherty has been elected to the sophomore Cotillion club. Bros. Hartzog and Shusley are members of the glee club. Bro. Orth was elected President of the E. E. society, and Vice-President of the Y. M. C. A. He was also elected to T B II.

Bro. Blazer is Secretary of the freshman class and was the only freshman to make his L during the past football season.

Bro. Mack has been elected athletic representative of the senior class.
South Bethlehem, February 17, 1904. J. H. WALLACE.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

Now that all our holidays are over, we have a long hard road ahead of us up to June 12. The much dreaded intermediate examinations are over and there is no fellow in college but smiles when this pleasant thought comes to his mind. None of us *Phis* *overworked* ourselves but most of us came out all right. Any other *Phi*s laboring over exams now, have our heart-felt sympathy.

A week or two ago, all the applicants for the baseball team were out on the field taking a little batting practice. But since then we have had so much snow and cold weather that the men have been unable to get out. Joe Leake, '04, the captain, thinks the prospects quite good.

Ashland has been quite lively during the last month or so. One of the swellest affairs ever held in Ashland was the Leap Year German given by Ashland "calico." Bros. Blakeney, Hutchinson, Bowlus, and Varner were present. Another entertainment was held in the college chapel not long ago. The singing by the Virginia Glee Club and recitations by Miss Starr were particularly fine.

Two Phis from Virginia Gamma were witnesses of the big Baltimore fire. They were gone about two days and had a fine time. Bro. Hutchinson went home several days ago on account of sickness, but we expect him back within a week.

Best wishes to other chapters.
Ashland, February 16, 1904.

RICH. P. GRAVELY.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

This is the busy term when very few outside activities occupy the thought of the student body. This morning, however, candidates for the baseball team are signing up. There is a great deal of excellent material here at present and Virginia Zeta hopes to be represented by at least four men. Bros. Campbell, Le Gore and Owen Bagley are trying for infield positions while Bro. Chas. Bagley hopes to represent us in outfield. An excellent schedule has been arranged and prospects for a winning season are bright.

We have recently caught the chapter house fever and the subject is being much agitated in our chapter at present. Every effort is being made to plan an effective working scheme by which a house may be secured.

Bro. Stockton Heth, '03, paid us a very pleasant visit some days ago.
Lexington, February 15, 1904. T. D. SLOAN.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Since our last letter, we have had the pleasure of initiating Bro. Henry B. Best, of Wilson, N. C. We expected to have Bros. Winston and Smathers with us this term, but they have decided not to return.

Work will soon be begun on the handsome gymnasium which has recently been donated to the university by Judge Bynum, of Charlotte. Plans are also rapidly going forward for the erection of a Y. M. C. A. Building. The university has recently been the grateful recipient of a beautiful silver cup, presented by Mr. J. R. Lemmert, of Baltimore, for the purpose of inciting interest in track athletics.

Bro. Donnelly has been re-elected captain of the baseball team. The manager this year is a Σ A E.

The fraternities and societies have decided to publish a *Yackety-Yack*, as usual. Bro. Kluttz will represent us.

We congratulate our brothers at Randolph-Macon upon their excellent work in securing a chapter house and we hope to do likewise before many months pass by.

K Σ and Z Ψ have each recently added a new initiate to their list of members.

N. C. Beta is not so strong numerically as she was last February. We will lose only one man by graduation this year.

We hope to meet several Phis on the visiting teams this spring.

Chapel Hill, February 17, 1904.

T. F. HICKERSON.

KENTUCKY ALPHA-DELTA, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY.

Kentucky Alpha-Delta now numbers fifteen men, two brothers having retired from college, and one new brother having been initiated. We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity in general, Bro. Phil. Gully, of Meridian, Miss. Bro. Gully is one of the best athletes and ball-players at Central, and there is not a more popular young man in college than he.

The college year of 1903-4 is hardly more than half gone, but already gives promise of being one of the most successful among many successful years, both in academic work, and especially in athletics. Central university feels confident in saying that she has the best gymnasium team in the state. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is most ably represented on the gymnasium team by Bro. Hudson. We are looking forward with great hopes to the success of the track team, which is now getting in splendid condition for the spring meets. On the track team $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ will be represented by Bros. Tweney and Thatcher. Our baseball team gives promise of being a winner, owing to the great number of candidates trying for it.

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the university a few days ago, the Rev. Dr. McEwan of Pittsburg was unanimously elected president of the Central University to succeed the late Dr. Wm. Charles Roberts. Whether or not he will accept the call is as yet undecided. Dr. McEwan is pastor of probably the wealthiest and most influential Presbyterian Church in America.

Celebrations will be held here on Monday, the 22d as usual. Among other interesting affairs will be the 22d oratorical contest, in which four speakers, two from each of the literary societies, contest for the honor of representing the university in the inter-collegiate oratorical contest in April.

Kentucky Alpha-Delta was very glad indeed to have with us Bro. Norman Taylor, of Ohio Wesleyan, a few days ago. We only wish our brothers of the sister chapters would visit us more often. Our doors are ever open and our hearts are full of welcome to all brothers, who will honor us with a visit to Danville.

JOHN M. P. THATCHER.

Danville, February 20, 1904.

KENTUCKY EPSILON, KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

Basketball is now in full sway at State college, we having played two games with Georgetown college, winning one and losing one. The boys' team lost by the score of 22 to 11, but the laurels were brought back by the girls' team which defeated the Georgetown girls by the score of 14 to 10. It was the girls' team which was so victorious last year. We are represented by Bro. Haynes at guard.

It is with much regret that we announce the temporary withdrawal of Bro. McFerran from school, due to illness, but we hope that he will soon be with us again.

Indoor baseball practice has begun, Bro. Matthews acting as captain. Bros. Carney, Logan and McFerran are considered likely candidates.

The new dormitory "Patterson Hall" is completed and occupied and is an ideal structure.

$\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is well represented on the glee club orchestra and college band by Bros. Forbes, Matthews, Trice and Logan. Bro. Matthews leads the band and Bro. Trice plays first violin in the orchestra.

Bro. Shelby is an editor of the college annual, "The Blue and White," which is now being published by the senior class and which is the first one ever to have been published by members of the student body here.

Bro. Threlkeld is studying law at the Louisville law school.

Lexington, February, 25, 1904.

R. H. BARCLAY.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter, Chancellor Kirkland has returned from his trip abroad, where for the last seven months he has been visiting the greater part of Europe, Egypt, and Palestine. He was given a welcome reception in the chapel, at which his great popularity among all connected with the university was enthusiastically evidenced.

The chapter's prosperity remains unchanged. Bro. Weller having happily returned to us, our roll remains unbroken, with the exception of Bro. Ayors, who is in business at his home. We are represented on the basketball team by Bros. Tigert, captain, and Keeling, substitute, and on the Glee Club by Bros. Wright, Weller, Montgomery and Allen. The basketball team has won the championship of the city, for which a trophy cup has been offered by the *Nashville American*. The freshman class has organized a basketball team, with Bro. Keeling as manager. Bros. Keeling, Manier and Hall have positions on it.

On Friday evening, February 5, we were entertained with a leap year dance at our chapter house by several of the chapter's young lady friends.

The house has a new coat of paint and we invite all Phi's in the city to pay us a visit. We will soon issue our chapter letter, and would like to hear from any alumni who have recently changed their addresses; also as to any desirable men, who are coming here next year.

The number of fraternity men here is larger than ever before, and the average membership is unusually large. The local sorority, $\Phi K \Psi$, has been initiated into K A Θ .

ADOLPH F. NYE.

Nashville, February 17, 1904.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

As the University of the South is closed during the months of January, February and March, there is nothing to report.

On account of our winter vacation, the chapter is compelled to hold its alumni celebration on some day set apart for that purpose in the summer.

Birmingham, Alabama, February, 25, 1904. PAUL LEE ELLERBE.

GAMMA PROVINCE.**GEORGIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA.**

Georgia Alpha begins the spring term with very bright prospects having been strengthened by the affiliation of Bro. T. Turnbull of Georgia Beta and the initiation of Bro. John Hunnicutt of Athens.

The baseball practice is now about to begin and we will probably be represented on the team by Bros. Turnbull and Marbley, since both have the reputation of being good players.

Our annual hop occurred last Friday and it was said to have been one of the nicest fraternity dances ever given at this place. It was given at the Atheneum club.

The university is in a very prosperous condition, and is enlarging every department. Three new buildings are now almost finished on the campus and two new ones are about to be begun.

The interest in the debating societies has never before been equaled and a great many students are preparing for inter-collegiate debates.

Athens, Feb. 2, 1904. WALTER O. MARSHBURN.

GEORGIA BETA, EMORY COLLEGE.

We cannot resist the sensation of pride when we review our work for the past two months and note its conformity to the record of our fraternity which is ever an incentive to the success of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ —superiority.

We have since our last report initiated Bro. Franklin Sawyer, '07, Monroe, La., and we wish to introduce him to the fraternity at large.

Emory College continues to grow in the search of knowledge and although we have no more improvements on the campus, our curriculum has been raised considerably and we hope to rival any other southern institution before long.

All of our brothers have made creditable grades the first term and we have more than taken our share of class honors.

We have introduced "lacrosse" into our athletic schedule and C. M. Smith of Atlanta will coach our teams. Bro. Richardson is manager of our track team and everything promises a successful year under his efficient management. Bros. Christani, Paage and Tarbutton will represent us on the track team.

In baseball Bro. Richardson will pitch for the senior team. On the junior team Bros. Tarbutton and Thomas will play and on the sophomore

Bro. Paage (manager), King and Quillian. Bro. Sawyer on the freshman.

Bro. Rayne has been elected captain of the football team for 1904. Bro.

Paage is president of the Sophomore Social Club and Bro. Rayne of Junior.

Oxford, Ga., February 19th, 1904. WALES W. THOMAS.

GEORGIA GAMMA, MERCER UNIVERSITY.

A most enjoyable affair and a social event of unusual importance was the reception tendered to the members of Georgia Gamma by Bro. and Mrs. E. J. Willingham, at their elegant residence on College street, December 11, 1903. Every member of the active chapter, a large number of the city alumni, and all the loyal lady wearers of the sword and shield were present to enjoy the hospitality of the charming host and hostess. The occasion was one of unalloyed pleasure to all present.

The athletic council of the university has closed a trade for grounds for an athletic park. Heretofore the college athletic games have been played on the Central City athletic park, but henceforth they will be played on the new athletic field, which will be put into condition for such games as soon as possible.

The college baseball team for the coming season will be coached by a city alumnus of Georgia Gamma, Bro. Wilfred C. Lane. Bro. Lane will have his squad of candidates out for practice next week, and the indoor and outdoor practice will continue regularly until the opening of the season. Mercer has games arranged with all the leading southern colleges, and she will have a splendid team to meet them. Bro. Davis F. Stakeley, law class, will hold down second base for the fourth season. Bros. Fred Newkirk, '07, Sidney L. Connor, '05, Tom F. Flournoy, '05, Henry N. Tift, '06, Henry B. Nichols, '05, and Harris Neill, '07, will contest for places on the team.

We are glad to introduce Bro. Osgood Lawton, '07, Macon, Ga., whom we have had the pleasure of initiating since the Christmas holidays.

Macon, Ga., January 31, 1904.

EDWARD B. MURRAY.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

Miami University starts well the new year. Since the opening of the winter term the student body has been much enlarged and the prospects

ahead of the institution are very bright. The university is soon to issue an illustrated bulletin which will probably surpass any publication of the kind ever gotten out by the institution. The bulletin will contain pictures of distinguished alumni, faculty members, student organizations, etc., and should prove of interest to all the friends of old Miami.

The old oratorical contest, held in the chapel on January 17, between the Miami Union and Erodelphian Literary societies of the university, was decidedly a Phi victory. The purpose of this contest was to select a man to represent the institution in the National Oratorical Contest between American state universities, to be held at the Universal Exposition, St. Louis, Mo., June 22, 1904. Bro. Smith was chosen representative, and Mr. Newman will act as alternate.

Since our last writing Bro. Blickensderfer was elected manager of the football team for next year. He has already scheduled quite a number of games with well known colleges, and our next year's season promises to be one of the best the institution has ever known. If present indications count for anything, our chapter will be well represented on the team.

Bro. Sloniker visited the chapter last week.

Oxford, February 15, 1904.

HOWARD S. SMITH.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

We are just now in the midst of our winter term and the students are getting in their best work at this season. Everything is quiet just at present, but it is only the lull before the storm that will break out on March 6 when we debate with the Western Reserve at this place. Bro. Morrow is leader of the first team and Bro. Frank Prout is a member of the second which debates with Wooster the same evening.

On the evening of January 16 Ohio Beta entertained 250 of the Monnett hall girls and the faculty at the warming of their new home. From after reports we feel that we acquitted ourselves well, and are proud that we are so favorably situated for entertaining our friends. We felt highly honored in having with us on that occasion Dr. and Mrs. Brown of Columbus who joined in making the evening a most pleasant one for all.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bros. D. A. Morrow, '05, and Leslie Parker, '07, and have affiliated Bro. George Parker of Colorado Alpha.

We are now making preparations to secure again the inter-fraternity baseball cup which we won last year in a series of hard fought games. Bro. Buxton has been elected manager and he will soon meet the managers of the other fraternities and arrange the schedule of games.

The 'Varsity is now being rounded up and active practice will take place on the diamond as soon as the weather permits.

The business department of the university has again been able to occupy the old quarters in Elliot hall that were partly destroyed by fire on the evening of July 4. The old building has been nicely repaired, and now furnishes some of the most desirable recitation rooms. The physics laboratory has been nicely equipped and offers greatly increased facilities to students of that department.

C. F. ANDERSON.

Delaware, February 15, 1904.

OHIO ZETA, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have initiated Bro. Ray Grant, of Columbus, giving us a total of seventeen active members. Bro. D. B. Sayers is again with us, having returned to complete his course.

We are sorry to lose Bro. Kirk Donavin, who lately received an appointment to Annapolis, and has already left for the East. This causes an addition of one more Phi to the colony established there, and one of the eleven, at least, will not be a Southerner.

The chapter gave a formal dance February 16, at which about thirty couples were present. The alumni turned out, as usual, and the dance was one of the most enjoyable ever given.

The chapter has been visited lately by Bros. Wise, Whitman, Hard, Smith and Denmead.

Columbus, February 17, 1904.

E. D. ROYON.

OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

Ohio Eta has enjoyed a very pleasant semester. We are now in the midst of one of the most delightful weeks of school—the week of final examinations. Following these the spring term is ushered in with a sigh of relief.

Chapter house life this winter has been of a very profitable, as well as entertaining kind, save for an unusual amount of sickness among the boys. Fraternity feeling has been kept up at a very high pitch. As a result our parties have been unusually successful.

On the 26th of this month we will give a leap year party. On this day we turn the house over to the Phi girls, returning to spend the evening with them. We look forward to this with anticipation of much pleasure.

The musical clubs have started and are doing nicely. Bros. Cadle, Dutton, Charlesworth, Hickok, Barkdull, and Schroeder, are members. Bro. Cadle is leader of the glee club.

The basketball team, which has been practicing hard, is meeting with constant success. No team has yet beaten us. Bros. Thomas and Vicary are on the 'Varsity.

Bro. Denison has lately been appointed associate editor of the Case Technical. Bros. Selby, Drennen and Emerson also officiate in their respective positions on the paper.

The Pan-Hellenic bowling club, which was organized some weeks ago, meets regularly. The $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ team holds honors still with percentage 1000. Bros. De Forest, Baker, Day, Charlesworth, Willard and Denison constitute the team.

The chapter is considering the advisability of having a smoker once a month for our alumni. Some such plan will probably be instituted in the near future.

Only one initiation has been held since September. None will be held probably till next fall. Good fortune has certainly come our way this year. We wish the same for our sister chapters.

F. L. HICKOK.

Cleveland, February 5, 1904.

OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

University of Cincinnati continues to advance with long strides on the road of prosperity, and with it Ohio Theta.

The most marked advancement at the university is the increase in attendance of the engineering department under the very able and popular management of its Dean Professor C. W. Marx. Numerically this department has grown thirty-five per cent. over last year; but this does not indicate all its improvement for in addition it has gained in influence and importance among the profession as well as the public at large. Architects, engineers

and manufacturers interested in the construction of fire-proof buildings have planned and arranged for a comparative fire-test between steel and ferro-concrete structures, which will be designed, erected and tested under the direction of Professor Marx. This will be watched with great interest all over the country.

President Ayers in conjunction with Professor L. T. More succeeded in obtaining a fine specimen of radium; and Professor More has been busy experimenting with it and lecturing before the students, the medical profession and the educated people generally.

In spite of the petitions from the student body as well as from the alumni the trustees of the University of Cincinnati refused to continue Dr. Ayers as president after July 1, 1904. This proves again how dangerous it is for ever so excellent a man to undertake the reorganization and reformation of an institution of learning. For this purpose Dr. Ayers was called to Cincinnati five years ago, and performed his task well, but had to finally yield to his adversaries. In his place the trustees elected Dr. Charles William Dabney, the well known educator and president of the University of Tennessee as his successor. Dr. Dabney accepted a five years contract and very wisely dictated his own terms to the board of trustees, which we are satisfied will be as beneficial to himself as to the university.

Professor H. C. Hicks, owing to heavy class work has resigned as Dean of the academic department and Professor J. E. Harry has been elected to fill the place. At the last convocation December 19, 1903 Professor Harry delivered a most instructive and interesting address on the "Universality and Versatility of the Greek."

Two days prior we had the pleasure and privilege of having Admiral Winfield S. Schley visit the university. He made quite a stirring patriotic speech, after which Bro. Cal. Vos, as president of the university club, in behalf of the student body presented him with a diploma in recognition of his loyal and unselfish services to his country.

Since our last letter the chapter having been increased by the addition of three very strong men, we hereby introduce to the fraternity Bros. Wendell Campbell, Leon Peaslee and G. Engeart Hooven. Bro. Campbell comes from Hughes high school, Cincinnati, where he was quite active in athletics. Bro. Peaslee's home is Haverhill, Mass., where he was a prominent member in the literary society and the high school fraternity. Bro. Hooven has a rare cultured tenor voice and has a reputation in musical circles which extends beyond local bounds.

The annual Christmas reception and dance was held December 23; and was well attended by active men and their sweethearts and alumni and their wives. The university club, consisting of the presidents of all the classes and students organizations, has honored Bro. Cal. Vos with the presidency. Bro. Fred Wehnmar has left us to take the position of chief chemist of the Laidlaw-Dunn-Gordon Co., manufacturers of pumping machinery Elmwood Place, Ohio. As much as we regret to lose him, we rejoice to see him get such a good position. Bro. C. Albert Schroetter has been awarded the "C" by the athletic council for efficient services in five inter-collegiate football-games. Bro. Edward Pflueger has succeeded in winning a place on the trial team of six for the inter-collegiate debate. In a few weeks "The Vanished Empire," a tale of the Moundbuilders by Bro. Waldo H. Dunn, will come from the press. Bro. Dunn formerly of Ohio Theta is now attending the University of Wooster.

EDWIN O. SCHROETTER.

Covington, Ky., February 20, 1904.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

The "exams" have come and gone once more and the chapter has survived them exceedingly well, "having drawn but few cons."

On February 7 we affiliated Bros. Moore and Beebe of Ohio Zeta, which increases our membership to twenty-three. The junior hop, the great social event of the college year, took place on Friday February 12. Bro. A. E. Kusterer was the chapter's representative on the junior hop committee. Next year the chapter's representative will lead the grand march at the hop. Bro. C. H. Upmeyer was chairman of the committee in charge of the entertainment of the guests at the house. Saturday afternoon, the chapter and its guests attended the matinee given by the comedy club. In the evening, the musical clubs gave their annual concert, the mandolin club, with Bro. A. E. Kusterer as leader carrying off first honors. After the concert, a delightful dance was given at the house.

Active preparations are in progress at the "Gym" for the coming track meets. There is an abundance of new material, over a hundred men enrolling themselves for preliminary training at the first call for candidates. Aside from the possibilities in the new material, all the point winners in the conference meet of 1903 except three are eligible to compete this year. With this outlook, Michigan's prospects for winning the conference meet are exceedingly bright.

The baseball candidates have also been called together and are practicing daily in the cage at the "Gym." Captain Utley of last year's team will act as head coach and will be assisted during the indoor work by L. McAllister, general utility man of the Detroit American league team. Bro. Davis, catcher on last year's team and several members of the chapter are out for the 'Varsity.

Just before the Christmas holidays, the university was shocked by the sudden death of Mrs. Angell, wife of President Angell. This year the university has suffered considerably by the death of prominent faculty members. Just after the opening of college, Professor Taft, Dean of the dental department, died suddenly. Shortly afterward, Professor Greene, Dean of the engineering department, died of heart failure. The latter's death is keenly felt in the engineering department, since it was largely due to Professor Greene's efforts that that department has reached its present high standard. Professor M. E. Cooley has been elected as his successor, with Professor J. B. Davis as vice-dean.

The chapter in conjunction with the Detroit alumni club will hold its "house-warming" and annual banquet about March 19, at the chapter house. The chapter expects as full an attendance of its alumni and other Phis as possible.

CARL H. UPMAYER.

Ann Arbor, February 17, 1904.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

In the few weeks just past since January 1, Indiana Beta has had more insight into true fraternity life and has approached more nearly to her ideals than at any other time in her history. Chapter house life is steadily strengthening the spirit of "All for one and one for all."

On Friday evening, February 19, the house was formally opened to our friends. Seven wives of Indiana Beta alumni assisted us in receiving the five hundred guests. Alumni Day is to be made a day of thanksgiving by Indiana Beta.

Since our last letter, Bro. Crawford of Sullivan, Ind., and Bro. Gwynn, of Terre Haute, have been initiated. Mr. Douster, of Converse, Ind., and also Mr. Beatty, of Lagrange, Ind., have been pledged.

In college circles, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ at Wabash is holding her own. Bro. McDaniel presided as toast master at the senior banquet. Bro. King has been given entire charge of senior class day exercises and the class play. Bro. Loop was recently elected captain of the basketball "five." Bro. Reed is athletic editor and cartoonist on the "Wabash" board of 1905. Schrock is business manager. It will be of interest to many to learn that Bro. Whetzel has just received an appointment.

R. D. SCHROCK.

Crawfordsville, February 23, 1904.

INDIANA GAMMA, BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

The winter term opened with a slightly increased attendance. During the holidays the books were removed from their old quarters into the new library building which was opened to the students at the beginning of the term. The building is modeled after the Greek style of architecture and is an excellent combination of simplicity and artistic beauty. The appointments are perfect and the building as a whole is equal to any in the state.

As yet the vacancy left by the resignation of President Scott Butler has not been filled. The board of directors of the college meets in the near future to elect a new president and the result of their action is awaited with interest.

Work will be begun on the new athletic field as soon as the weather permits.

Since our last letter we have initiated four men, Zack C. Sanderson, '07, Marion, Ind., William Wheaton, '07, Conn., Bert Hockman, '07, Frankfort, Ind. and John Kingsbury, '06, Indianapolis. Harvey Emrich, '07, Indianapolis, has been pledged. Mr. Emrich has already received some notice in this city as a young artist of unusual merit. He has been running a series of interesting cartoons in the college paper.

We regret very much that Bro. Hunt cannot be with us this term since he has completed his work here. He has returned to his home at Brownsburg to look after his business interests there. Bro. Hunt will return in the spring and take his degree with the graduating class.

Bro. McElroy won the primary oratorical and represented this college in the state contest in this city on February 5. In this he ranked third in the list of seven contestants. Bro. McElroy has resigned his position as editor of the college paper on account of his heavy work this year.

$\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has four men on the basketball team, Bros. Anthony, captain, at forward, Murray, forward, Brown, center, and Kingsbury, guard. An indoor meet will be held soon to develop material for the track team. We will enter some good men and expect to carry off first honors.

Livington, February 15, 1904.

PAUL MURRAY.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

The winter term at Franklin opened January 7 with a satisfactory increase in the number of students. Fraternity material was rather scarce, but we secured one man, Mr. Harry Douglass, of Hope, Ind., who will soon be one of the best men in the chapter. Our annual alumni banquet occurs March 15, and our gathering this year is intended to eclipse anything heretofore attempted.

The new library building is almost completed and will soon be ready for occupancy while the gymnasium is now open, a large amount of new equip-

ment which was badly needed, having been added. Already captain Webb has some of the baseball candidates at work and the prospects for a good team are the best in years. Duggan, of Whiteland, Ind., will do the pitching this year and much is expected of him. Manager Sellars has the schedule almost completed and it is the hardest ever made for the baseball team, including games with the strongest college teams in the state. Early in the term Bros. Neal and Ott started the new college paper called "The Franklin." The new paper is issued monthly and is a very creditable paper indeed. For some time the college has been without a paper, owing to the opposition of certain factions, but it is hoped that this can be overcome and that the new venture will be a success. Bro. Neal is business manager and Bro. Ott is local editor. Bro. Hall, who represented Franklin in the state oratorical contest at Indianapolis, deserves great credit for the showing he made, taking the best place held by the college for some years.

Work on the annual chapter letter is progressing rapidly and it will be out in a short time. We have received the letters of several of our sister chapters all of which show the chapters to be in an excellent condition.

Franklin, February 19, 1904.

F. A. WITT.

INDIANA EPSILON, HANOVER COLLEGE.

The winter term has seen $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ hold the place of many a happy gathering of brothers in the Bond. Two parties have been the main social functions given by the chapter so far this term, namely, an informal reception to our friends and a theatre party to Madison to witness "Way down East."

We have also had the pleasure of a visit from Bro. J. Levy Snyder, ex-'04, of Milton, Kentucky. Bro. Snyder is a prosperous tobacco buyer.

Since the December SCROLL we have pledged two new men that entered at the opening of the winter term. The names of our pledges are Mr. S. A. Parsons, '08, Louisville, Ky., and Mr. C. R. Parker, '08, Bowling Green, Ohio. The chapter now, including pledged men, numbers sixteen.

Alumni Day will be observed by the chapter with the alumni association of Madison. It will be the first meeting of the chapter and the Madison association. A banquet with speech-making will be the order of the day. The chapter hopes to make this celebration on this particular day an annual event.

College athletics have been mainly basketball this term, in which sport the college has so far made a splendid record, winning every one of the five games played by good majorities. The principal victories are those of Cincinnati University and Miami University. The score with Cincinnati was 32 to 22, with Miami 44 to 16. The fraternity is represented on the team by Bros. Patty (manager), Green (forward), Oldfather (guard) and Spalding (referee).

E. W. NEWTON.

Hanover, February 18, 1904.

INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

The first of this month marked the beginning of the new college semester, a welcome occasion to all Purdue men, for with it came the first thoughts of spring and the revival of her athletic and social spirit. Since the holidays, basketball has partially filled the desire of the student body for college contests and this season as before, Purdue has shown her superiority in the game. Only two games have been lost and a clear title to the state championship remains. We are proud to announce that Bro. J. A. Miner has succeeded in making a regular place on the 'Varsity team and has earned his

title to the university insignia, thus giving us four letter-men. D. H. Long, pledged, is a member of the squad.

The polo spirit has also been instilled into the university by the presence of the Lafayette professional team. A Purdue team has been organized, managed by Bro. Rank, with Bros. Wood and Curran among the regular players. Several games have been played with local amateurs and arrangements with more distant teams are being made.

Fox, the second baseman and captain of the Indianapolis American Association team last season, has been engaged to coach the baseball squad and has arrived to take charge of the material. The prospects this year for a winning team seem to be exceptionally good. Bro. Jones is the first ranking 'Varsity pitcher. A movement is also on foot to send a track team to the inter-collegiate indoor meet at Philadelphia. An exceedingly encouraging advance in track athletics has been started under the direction of E. L. Wheeler who has recently been made physical director of the gymnasium, having previously occupied a similar position at the University of Missouri.

The class Pan-Hellenic dances occur next month which, together with other college festivities, predict a gay social season.

Bro. L. J. Flint, of Kansas University, has recently entered Purdue as a student in electricity, specializing in telephony.

We are glad to acknowledge the receipt of a number of chapter letters from sister chapters and hope soon to be able to present ours in return.

Lafayette, February 23, 1904.

SAMUEL G. CLIFFORD.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The University of Chicago's peerless equipment continues to be increased. On January 29, the Frank Dickinson Bartlett Gymnasium, which has been erected at a cost of \$265,000, was formally opened. The dedication took the nature of a solemn memorial to Frank Bartlett, to whose life the great building stands as a monument. The new Gym. for which Chicago men have so long waited is accurately correct in every detail of its construction.

The new home for laws, which stands in the central quadrangles, will be ready for occupancy early in the spring quarter. This building conforms to the general plan adhered to by the University—it will give the disciples of Blackstone unexcelled facilities. The building will accommodate 500 men.

The Reynolds club is now well established as a predominant factor in undergraduate life. An executive council made up of students, was elected at the close of the last quarter and to these men the university has turned over the entire management of the club. The clubhouse was the scene of a jubilee on January 28, when President Harper launched the first ball down one of the newly installed bowling alleys.

The most important chapter event of the year, our annual winter quarter initiation and banquet took place on the afternoon and evening of February 5. The following men were admitted to membership in Illinois Beta chapter: Noel M. Dunbar, South Bend, Ind., George Nordenholz, Oak Park, Ill., Leeman Todd, Leavenworth, Kan., Willis S. Hilpert, Chicago, Franklin Wolff, Chicago, and Frederick Mabrey, Derby Town, Conn. Following the initiation ceremony the banquet was held at the Albion Cafe. Besides the active chapter and its alumni there were present Bros. John T. Sumner, Nebraska, Ewing, Knox, Horton, Minnesota, and Jones, Kansas. Each of the visiting PIs responded to toasts and the new men were launched into the fraternity under most auspicious circumstances.

Illinois Beta's activity during recent years has been closely related to the athletic standing of the university. At the president's annual football dinner, January 28, Bro. Fred. A. Speik, '05, was elected to captain the football team for next season. Bro. Speik has been a landmark at left end since his matriculation at Chicago. His choice was unanimous and was received with great favor by the entire university community. Bro. Speik is the third successive $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ who has held the coveted position. Bro. Ellsworth was leader of the team last year and Bro. Sheldon for the two years preceding Bro. Ellsworth.

The indoor track season was ushered in with a Chicago-Illinois duel meet in the Bartlett Gymnasium February 13. Illinois Beta contributed eleven points to the 50 which won for Chicago. Bro. Catlin, winner of the individual medal in the western conference meet last spring, is rapidly gaining championship form in the hurdles. Bro. Miller is winning firsts in the pole vault and Bros. Speik and Hall are competing in the shotput and the long runs, respectively. With the opening of the outdoor season, Bro. Ellsworth will join the track squad, performing in the hammer throw.

The baseball candidates have been working in the Gym. under the tutelage of Bro. Harper, who is assisting coach Stagg, since January 6. Bros. Nowels, Dunbar and Wyman are trying for the team. Bro. Ellsworth is counted on to do the pitching for the 'Varsity. Bro. Quantrell, who won his "C" in the high jump in his freshman year will not compete in track this year. He is handicapped with a badly wrenched knee and will be compelled to take a long rest.

The bowling alleys were no sooner placed in the Reynolds club than the fraternity men organized a bowling league. A complete schedule has nearly been played and $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is struggling with $\Lambda\Delta\Phi$ and $\Psi\Upsilon$ for second or third honors. The Dekes seem to have the championship assured them. *The Daily Maroon* has offered a silver trophy cup to the man making the highest individual score. Parry, $\Delta\Upsilon$ now leads with 240. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$'s five men team is made up of Bros. Hall, captain, Catlin, Speik, Wyman, Ellsworth and Miller.

The Washington Prom, the ruling social event of the year, will be lead by Bro. Ellsworth who is Prom chairman. Bro. Ellsworth has also received the permanent chairmanship of the Pan-Hellenic dance association which was established largely as the result of his efforts. The Pan-Hell will be given in April.

The chapter is evenly represented in undergraduate activities. Of the brothers who have entered professional schools, Miller and Blakey are members of the medical fraternity $\Phi P\Sigma$, Speik of $N\Sigma N$, and Wyman of the legal fraternity $\Phi\Delta\Phi$. Bro. Blakey is a charter member of the Comic Opera club, "The Black Friars." Bro. Hook is on the Cross Country club. Bros. Todd and Wolff are in the University Orchestra. Bros. Nordenholz and Lumbard are candidates for the water polo team. Bro. Lumbard is also an editor on the student annual, *The Cap and Gown*. Bro. Wyman is vice-president of the Reynolds club and of the senior class. Bro. Hilpert holds a graduate scholarship in chemistry. Bro. Meek represented the university in the Hamilton oratorical contest. He is out of the basketball team. Bro. Quantrell seeks forensic honors, being a contestant in the college declamation trials.

Our chapter house at 5719 Monroe avenue is open to all Phis who live in or visit Chicago.

A. R. NOWELS.

Chicago, February 19, 1904.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to *THE SCROLL*, Illinois Delta has further increased its membership by the initiation, on February 19 of Bros. Harry Ehrhart, Arcola, Ill., Franklin C. Howell, Iberia, Mo. and Seldon Gale Lowrie, of Niles, Mich. Bro. H. O. Snyder has been forced to give up his school work on account of sickness and has returned to his home at Arcola, Ill.

The chapter gave its annual Christmas party in Lescher hall on the evening of December 23, which served as an incentive for a number of graduate brothers to return to the city for brief visits.

In the Adelphi Literary Society's preliminary to the Knox-Beloit debate, Bros. Williamson, and McClelland were chosen as two out of a team of three men to represent the society against Gwothantic with good prospect of getting on to the finals. In the Gwothantic society Bro. Edgerton has been chosen as one of the four contestants in the junior oratorical contest held during graduation week. Bro. Edgerton is also the chapter's representative on the Junior Prom. committee.

The new semester was inaugurated on February 3 with every prospect of upholding the high standards set in debate, oratory and athletics. Mr. Willard Lampe, representative of Knox, in the Hamilton club's prize oratorical contest at Chicago brought honor to his college by being awarded second place. The representative of Michigan University took first honors.

Owing to the severity of the weather little practice in baseball has been possible but on the opening of the season, active work will be begun in earnest under the efficient coaching of coach Willard.

Bros. Edgerton, Snahr, Shippert and Porter are out for the team. There is not a bright outlook for track work this season as Knox lost a number of its star men at the end of last year but there is good material awaiting development.

Bro. McClelland will again contest in the pole vault and Bro. Mariner will be out from the broad jump and hurdles.

Founder's Day was observed on Wednesday February 17 in place of February 15, with appropriate ceremonies. At a meeting of the board of trustees on that date it was decided to build a separate steam heating plant for the joint heating of Beecher chapel and Whiting hall, an improvement much needed.

Preparations are well under way for the annual Founder's Day banquet on March 15.
BURT A. HEINLY.

Galesburg, February 19, 1904.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD UNIVERSITY.

At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the Universalist National Convention in Boston, our president, Bro. C. Ellwood Nash, '75, was chosen to fill the newly created office of Field Secretary of the Universalist church of America. The call was so urgent and the influence brought to bear from all quarters upon our beloved president, was so insistent that he felt it his duty to resign the presidency of Lombard to take up the new work. The new office offers a wider field for usefulness. The trustees of the college were soon called together and after much careful deliberation, in which the needs of the church were weighed as well as the welfare of Lombard, the resignation was accepted to take effect at the next commencement. The loss of Dr. Nash from Lombard is keenly felt in the college circles for he has won a prominent place among educators. His successor has not yet been selected but he will be chosen from a list of prominent and forceful men

who have won distinction in educational work. A man will be selected who will carry forward the progressive plans for a greater Lombard such as have been inaugurated by Dr. Nash in his eight years as head of the institution. Lombard has developed and has grown stronger in influence and usefulness under his leadership. In his new work he will find many opportunities to show loyalty to his alma mater and to further her interests.

Both the men's and ladies' basketball teams have been making good records this year, winning most of the games they have played. The prospects for strong track and baseball teams this spring are very favorable. Bro. Harrie Jansen is manager of baseball, and is arranging a creditable schedule.

The chapter is enjoying a large degree of fraternity spirit. We have recently initiated, and we take pleasure in presenting to the fraternity, Bro. William Conser of Galesburg.

FRANK C. AYERS.

Galesburg, February 20, 1904.

ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

On Friday night, February 12, Illinois Eta gave its annual party. The hall was decorated in a novel way, hundreds of light blue and white streamers running from the center of the ceiling to the sides, the corners made into cosy booths and college and sorority banners everywhere. Nearly all the men who graduated last year were back and we hope enjoyed themselves thoroughly. A flashlight picture of the dancers was taken and will serve to keep this pleasant evening fresh our in memories. On the whole this annual was the best ever given by Illinois Eta. On the following Saturday night a smoker and Stein shower was given at the chapter house in honor of the returned alumni; many speeches were made and a merry evening was spent.

Frank McKelvey, of Sparta, Ill., and William Steele, of McLeansboro, were initiated early in February. Henry Ben Ward, of Mt. Vernon, Ill., has just been pledged to $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. Arthur Hill and William Caton both returned to the university this semester, making our total membership thirty-one.

A meeting of the directors of the Phi chapter house association was held here February 13. It authorized the drawing up of plans and specifications for the new chapter house. Three sets of plans and estimates are to be prepared, one for a frame house, one brick and one stone. It looks now as though we were at last to have the new chapter house built next spring for which so many of the alumni and the active chapter have worked for and looked forward to for so long.

S. W. CUTLER.

Champaign, February 18, 1904.

MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

The Minnesota chapter has begun the new year with a strong active membership. Since our last letter to THE SCROLL, we have initiated into our membership, William Benjamin Hinkley, of Luverne, Minn. Bro. Hinkley is a member of the freshman law class, and has already achieved numerous college honors in his work here, having been elected representative on the 1906 *Gopher* board from the college of law, and become a member of the university band.

Minnesota has always taken great pride in her college band and the standard of excellence is, if anything, above the average this year. The band numbers 46 pieces, and makes engagements enough during the year to net each member a small sum of money and to be self supporting. Each

year a concert tour is made of the state, which is a source of great pleasure to its members.

Under the command of Major Morgan, 9th U. S. Cavalry, the cadet regiment is receiving the most thorough instruction in military tactics that it has ever had. Cadets are required to drill three hours a week, and all officers are required to attend a school in military science conducted by the commandant. A feature of this year's drill has been the military hops which have been held every week in the university armory; the cadet band furnishing the music. A full dress ball has been planned for the near future; the decorations are to be in military style, and the officers and their wives from Fort Snelling are to be invited as special guests of the battalion.

The Minnesota basketball team has had an unusually successful season. For several years they have been the undisputed champion "college five" in the west, and judging by comparative scores and general style of play they have at least been on an equal footing with any five in the United States. The management has made several attempts to obtain games with the leading teams in the east but has had no success in so doing until this year. Games were scheduled this year, however, with Cornell and Williams in the east; colleges which have always had a high standing in basketball. After defeating all the local teams by decisive scores, the team took a long eastern trip, traveling about 2000 miles in ten days and playing nine games. Even under this handicap of travel and strange floors they were victorious in seven out of the nine games, and defeated Ohio, Cornell and Williams by decisive scores. The defeat of Williams was particularly gratifying to Minnesota men, as Williams had recently defeated Yale and several of the other strong fives in the east. Following is a list of the scores made on the eastern trip: Lewis Institute 30-14; Western Y. M. C. A. (Chicago) 26-35; Purdue University 32-22; Crawfordsville High School 28-23; Ohio State University 31-18; Rochester University 28-17; Cornell 46-18; Washington University 16-21; Williams 10-6.

Ithaca and Columbus papers were unanimous in saying that the Minnesota boys put up the fastest, cleanest game of basketball that they had ever seen, and gave the team special praise for playing a clean, fair game, devoid of the rough tactics which some of the big teams have employed the last season.

The University campus has been the battle ground for an unusual number of strenuous class-scrapes this winter. The freshman and sophomore classes did not settle the question of superiority last fall, and as a result the babies have been unusually ubiquitous this winter. The sophomore party on the eve of February 5, was the scene of a college mix-up the equal of which can hardly be recalled by the oldest students. The freshmen gathered in small crowds and spent the earlier part of the evening in waylaying lone sophomores and taking button souvenirs from their clothes. Later they gathered *en masse* and rushed the armory doors in an attempt to get in and put the whole party out of business. They were stopped in their mad career, however, by a bunch of husky sophomores and a still huskier fire hose attached to a hydrant. The night was bitter cold and many of the freshies had difficulty in getting home through the ice. Others tried to gain entrance through the second story windows, but the sophomores pushed some of these out and captured a small number who were made to perform for the amusement of the upper classmen, and then locked up where they could cool off until morning. The faculty has issued an edict that there will be no freshman parties this year, and the cradles are now rocking peacefully again.

Minneapolis, February 16, 1904.

EDWARD C. PARKER.

IOWA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF IOWA.

Since our last letter we have lost several of our members and now have but thirteen active members. Bro. James Minert accepted a good position as oil inspector of the C. R. I. & P. Ry. Bro. L. R. McKee is with his brother at Sturdevant, Mo., while Bro. Henry Hubers will be associated with his father in business at Davenport, Iowa, after Feb. 15.

We are looking for good fraternity material and expect several good men to enter school at the beginning of the next semester. This is the first time in the history of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ at Iowa that she has felt able to entertain on Alumni Day, and invitations will be sent to our alumni sometime in the near future. The committee appointed to get out the chapter letter this year are L. C. Oelkers, chairman, and Bros. Allen and Morton. We regretted to learn of the serious illness of Bro. Ballou and hope for a speedy recovery. We wish every chapter and the general council a prosperous year.

Iowa City, February 7, 1904.

CHAS. E. LOIZEAUX.

MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Missouri Beta has begun the new year under most favorable circumstances. We have secured a lot in one of the most desirable locations in the city and plans are being drawn up for the house which is to be ready for occupancy by the opening of college in September.

Since the last letter, our football season has closed, which has been the most successful one in the history of the college. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, as usual, had the majority of honors, having more men connected with the team than the other fraternities combined. On the regular team we were represented by Bro. Seibert, captain and left halfback; Bro. Nesbitt, fullback; Bro. Soule, right halfback; Bro. Miller, left guard; and Bro. Calvird, left tackle; Bro. Wilson, manager; Bro. Hamacher, substitute; and Bro. Anderson, coach. Bro. Nesbitt has been elected captain of next year's team. Bro. Wilson was elected manager of this year's baseball team and already several games are scheduled. Although a number of good men are out for the team $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is assured of her share of positions.

With the opening of the new term, there will be a number of new men and the outlook for us is promising.

We are glad to have with us again Bro. L. M. White who has been absent during the past term.

We hope soon to present to our sister chapters our annual chapter letter, which is in press at this writing.

The oratorical contest will be held some time in February and $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ will be represented by Bro. Wilson.

WILL A. SOULE.

Fulton, January 25, 1904.

MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

Since the last issue of *THE SCROLL* there has been a movement made here to form a Pan-Hellenic council among the different fraternities represented at Washington University. Six fraternities have chapters here now, that is exclusive of the professional fraternities. The fraternities are $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, $\Sigma\Alpha\Xi$, $B\Theta\Pi$, $K\Sigma$, $\Sigma\Chi$, and $\Sigma\Nu$. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, $\Sigma\Alpha\Xi$ and $\Sigma\Nu$ were in favor of forming such a council, the other three were opposed to the idea. The object of the council was to furnish a common ground for discussion of all matters concerning inter-fraternity relations and subjects affecting all fraternities equally. As things are now if there is anything to be done some one chapter

has to take the initiative and it is sometimes embarrassing for any chapter to do it. This council would furnish a means of obtaining any necessary agreement between the chapters and at the same time it binds no chapter farther than they themselves wish.

There is a good deal of activity here in indoor athletics although these limit themselves to internal contests between class teams and fraternity teams.

The prospects here for baseball and track athletics for this spring are very bright. All Washington's games will be played on the "Louisiana Purchase" exposition grounds and the exposition has guaranteed us a good sum of money to defray all expenses connected with athletics. With such an opportunity it seems that we should make a very good showing this year. Another thing which makes the outlook bright is the greater interest shown in the graduate schools. Heretofore except in football the teams have been largely limited to undergraduates but I understand that this spring the graduate schools will send out a number of candidates for positions on the different teams.

G. L. ALLEN, JR.

St. Louis, February 22, 1904.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

The year thus far has been a very prosperous one for the University. A gift of \$25,000 cash and of land to the value of \$75,000 was made by Dr. Simeon Bell, of Rosedale, for the building of a clinic hospital to be conducted in connection with the present medical school of the university, but to be situated at Rosedale. A further amount of \$75,000 is necessary to complete the building as planned, and there is every reason to believe that it will be appropriated at the next session of the State Legislature. It is also assured that that body will make an appropriation of \$20,000 for a new greenhouse and biological laboratory to take the place of the present inadequate arrangements.

Since the October letter the chapter has received a number of honors. Bro. Burriss was elected Vice-President of the Pharmaceutical Association; Bro. Neff, Vice-President of the engineering classes; and Bro. Relihan, treasurer of the sophomore class. Bro. Fleishman played a back on the 'Varsity basketball team; Bro. Sexton is a member of the junior prom. committee; and Bro. Flint, of the senior play committee.

On February 1, Kansas Alpha celebrated her annual spring party. The decorations were of red and white and their beauty added much to the enjoyment of the evening. About thirty out of town guests were present, among them ten of our recent alumni, of whose presence advantage was taken to discuss our plans for purchasing a chapter house.

The retirement of Bro. McCoy, who goes to accept a position at Sawyer, Kansas, is regretted by all the chapter. Bro. McCoy would have been captain of this year's track team had he remained in school.

An excellent baseball schedule has been arranged but Bro. Sexton, captain of the 'Varsity, has very little good material from which to select a winning team for 1904, owing to the stringency of the faculty in regard to the eligibility of players.

The chapter was very agreeably entertained recently by Bro. E. J. Caldwell, Kansas, '85, at his new home in Lawrence. Bro. Caldwell, who was lately married, is a charter member of Kansas Alpha.

Lawrence, February 15, 1904.

JOHN L. STARKIE.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

We have just held our second initiation and have the pleasure of introducing the following Bros.:—Gilmore Hartigan, of Hastings, Neb., and Fred. M. Brown, of Fremont.

We have worked up the house proposition and at our annual banquet we will know definitely whether it will be built or left for several more years. The ones who have it in charge are so sure that it will be done that the plans are completed and in the hands of the contractor.

We are sorry to state that Bros. Stephen B. Miles and Paul Anderson are going to quit school until next semester. Miles is going west to work on a ranch, while Anderson is going to Wymore to practice with a dentist.

Our banquet will be held on March 12, and it is our hope that every Phi around or near Lincoln can be present. It is our desire to make this the largest banquet that Nebraska Alpha has ever held.

Bro. Charles Matherson has been appointed editor of the *Sombrero*, our biennial junior publication. We are in hopes that it will be a great success, as this honor has never been bestowed upon our chapter before.

The Rockefeller gift has not been accepted and there seems to be a great deal of public sentiment against it. Although the school really needs it, every body says that it is a state institution and that the state will support and build without the aid of personal gifts. The university students are all in favor of it as they see how useful a temple could be used on the campus.

Lincoln, February 1, 1904.

CHARLES STUART.

COLORADO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

Final examinations of the first semester were completed the last week in January and work for the second was commenced February 1.

The new library was opened for use January 4 and we are confident that this magnificent structure will be a great factor in the future of the university. Track athletics have been started in earnest, several cross country runs and one track meet having been held.

Bro. Strayer, captain of the baseball team, expects to begin regular practice soon.

The chapter gave a dance February 13, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

The glee and mandolin clubs will start on their annual trip next month. Bro. Ferguson represents us on the glee club.

Bro. Ralph Tiffany, of Longmout, is not with us this semester. Bro. Mitchel has moved into the chapter house. Boulder, February 18, 1904.

LOUIS G. KELLER.

ETA PROVINCE.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

Mississippi Alpha hears with regret, of the resignation of Bro. Switzler as editor of THE SCROLL, but we congratulate ourselves upon having such a faithful and competent successor to take his place.

Since our last letter, our chapter has been strengthened by the entrance of Bros. Blue Price and James Leathers.

The fraternities at the university are noting with much interest the actions of the legislature in regard to the fraternity question.

The non-fraternity faction have been trying for several years to get the fraternities out of the university, and are making a strong fight in the State

Legislature at the present time. But we fail to see their grounds, as the fraternity men have always led in graduation, honors in scholarship, and athletics.

Mississippi's prospects for a good baseball and track team seem very bright this year.

O. L. KIMBROUGH.
University, Miss., February 18, 1904.

TEXAS BETA, UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

That the University of Texas is to be *the* school of Texas is evidenced by the growing liberality of the legislature and the continued improved facilities being provided thereby.

The success of co-education is indicated by the erection of the "Woman's Building", a girls' dormitory erected last summer at an expense of \$75,000. This building has elegant parlors, dining room, and gymnasium with swimming pool. It will accommodate 75 girls. Its rooms were all filled at the beginning of the year and applicants had to be turned away.

Another addition to our university is now in process of erection. This is an elegant and substantial engineering building. This building will provide a home for the civil engineering work that has occupied rooms in the main building and for electrical engineering that is to be inaugurated next year. The electrical engineering course at the university will be the first to be provided in the state.

Still another forward movement for the benefit of the university is being made by the Central Christian Church of Austin in conjunction with a few energetic members of the faculty, in that they have on foot the establishment of a chair of theology. A liberal-hearted, wealthy woman of this church has donated the cost of the building for this department. Of course it can not be an integral part of the university, but its work can be taken by university students just as if it were.

In the matter of athletics, we have thus far had fine success. During the football season we lost only one game and that to a team outside the Southern Intercollegiate Association. At the beginning of the season prospects were very poor, for old material upon which we were relying failed to return and the new men could hardly be called material. But by the faithful and steady work of our coach, Ralph Hutchinson, Princeton, we evolved a splendid team, and one which upheld our reputation on the gridiron, if it did no more. The game with Vanderbilt on our field was the most contested of the season, end we claim the victory, as do they, although the score was 5-5.

Baseball prospects are good. We have ten old men back. Nine of last year's team, and one of the team of two years ago. The development of such a successful football team from such material indicates that coach Hutchinson can surely do the "necessary" with our baseball men, especially as baseball is nearer his heart than football. Regular practice will begin on Monday, February 22.

Trackteam work, indoor work, and tennis, while not as enthusiastically supported as baseball and football, have many devotees, and some records are expected before the season is over.

Fraternity life has grown less strenuous since the 17 of January. The agreement of the fraternities not to invite first year men until that date was operated under for the first time this session. While its general influence has been to restrain free and easy fraternity or other social life, yet it in the end resulted remarkably satisfactorily to $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. The chapter pledged and initiated every man invited, and every one of the ten invited was sought by

some other crowd and most of them were rushed and spiked by several fraternities. Our hardest rivals, B Θ II, Σ X, and K Σ, were severely "gated." The victory was really a remarkable one. We wish to give much of the credit for the same to our loyal lady friends.

We take pleasure in introducing to the Greek world Bros. Hal Helm Logan, of Hannibal, Missouri, Webster McEvoy, Ballard Young Burgher, Robert Nuckles Watkin, Eugene Perry Locke, Walter Hillman Walne, and Jean Baptiste Adoue, Jr., of Dallas; Hugh Lothrop, of Marshall; James Perrie Alvey, of Galveston; and Norman Bates Taylor, of San Angelo. All of these men but one are "long termers." The chapter already had several long term men, so the standard of the chapter and its ability to get almost anybody desired for the next few years, at least, is assured. The house building movement now on in the fraternities here, and the newly inaugurated plan of not inviting first year men for three months, made this a very important and crucial year for all the fraternities, and our victory the harder to win and of the more real value to the fraternity and its future. Mr. Gavine Drummond Hunt, of Dallas, known to his friends as "Battle Axe," is happy, and Mr. Barker, the local representative of the house corporation, is a-smiling.

Of the other fraternities represented at the university, K Σ probably made the next best "haul."

Mrs. Sutton, the mother of our brother, Herbert H. Sutton, entertained the chapter and its "prospectives" and their lady friends an evening a short while before spiking time. Several informal parties have been given at the chapter house since the holidays. Washington's birthday was honored by planting trees and vines about the house.

In passing I'll state that Bro. Steger is editor-in-chief of the annual, the *Cactus*, (it will be remembered that Bro. Bedicheck was editor-in-chief last year) and is also tutor in Latin and Greek; Bro. Guy Witt is tutor in Zoology; Bro. Pope is editor-in-chief of the weekly paper, *The Texan*; Bro. Hunt is supervising chairman of the Final Ball committees; Bro. Ward is president of the German Club; Bro. Weller is captain of the baseball team: Bros. Walne and Locke, debaters with Missouri; Bros. Adoue and Watkin on the glee and mandolin club; and a few good men are still in private life. In the faculty, Dr. Callaway is professor of English; Arthur L. Eno is instructor in English; Eugene C. Barker is instructor in History. Professor Houston, formerly Dean of the university, is now president of A. and M. College; and Mr. Lomax, who was registrar at the university for years, is now instructor in English at A. and M.

The death of Bro. Percy Sims White at Washington and Lee cast a gloom over Texas Beta chapter. Sims was initiated by Texas Beta last year and lived in the house with his chapter for several months, and was sincerely loved and admired by all of his brothers and classmates. The chapter was represented at the funeral by Bros. Harry Steger and Edgar Witt. We wish to thank Virginia Zeta for the kind attentions given Sims during his illness, and shown to his father after his arrival. These kindnesses are very sweet memories of Mr. White, and Texas Beta, Sims' home chapter, is very grateful for them.

The chapter has received visits from out-of-town Bros. Rhodes S. Baker, Tom J. Lee, Jno. A. Lomax, I. Vance, "Curly" Duncan, Joe F. Etter, Felix Smith, W. L. Prather, Jr., and Bates McFarland, all of which were enjoyed. The chapter enjoys being the host to brothers, or for that matter to anybody.

C. W. WELLER.

Austin, February 24, 1904.

THETA PROVINCE.**WASHINGTON ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.**

The second semester began February 8, but very few students entered and with them, little or no fraternity material.

The university basketball team has just returned from the recent trip in Oregon, where four out of the five games played were won. The crew and track team have begun training and this year a regatta and meet have been assured with the University of California. Our prospects for a successful season are the best we have had for years. Bro. Kennedy is a candidate for the crew, Bros. Brawley and Twitchell are candidates for the track team, and Bros. Sieler, Grinstead and Hoover are trying for the baseball team.

In the recent sophomore election, Bro. Sieler carried off the honor of manager for the 1906 *Tyee*, the junior annual.

In debating, we are represented by Bro. Grinstead who will appear on the team which meets Oregon.

In December K Σ was installed here with five charter members.

Seattle, February 19, 1904.

DALBERS E. TWITCHELL.

ALUMNI CLUBS.**INDIANAPOLIS.**

The Indianapolis Alumni Chapter continues active and the members still enjoy the weekly luncheons at the Commercial club cafe. On Wednesday evening Dec. 30, 1903, a number of the alumni and undergraduates home from college for the holidays held a most delightful dance, there being about sixty couples dancing. Saturday noon following Christmas the regular luncheon was held at the Columbia club, the following being present: John B. Elam, Miami, '70; R. T. Byers, Wabash, '08; W. H. Morrison, Jr., Cornell, '01; F. A. Preston, De Pauw, '94; C. A. Woods, Indiana, '97; Fred W. Foxworthy, De Pauw, '99; A. A. Ogle, Franklin, '90; L. B. Davis, Butler, '00; J. M. Gilchrist, Indiana, '06; C. E. Osborne, Wisconsin, '06; R. E. Sweeney, Cornell, '06; A. R. Coffin, Cornell, '04; S. K. Ruick, De Pauw, '97; R. M. Tolin, Cornell, '05; W. H. Wiley, Cornell, '06; Chas. S. Rauh, Purdue, '04; Ralph Bamberger, Indiana, '91; C. A. McCauley, Miami, '98; Dillon Hacker, Indianapolis, '05; J. B. Dill, Jr., Purdue, '00; J. A. Miner, Purdue, '05; J. W. Fesler, Indiana, '87; R. M. Ketchum, Williams, '05; H. C. Allen, Wisconsin, '06; E. E. Stevenson, Franklin, '83; F. W. Foxworthy, De Pauw, '94. Ten colleges were represented at the luncheon.

W. H. MORRISON, JR.

January 15, 1904.

PERSONAL.

Lafayette—J. A. Pierce, '98, is a lawyer at Pittsburg.

Purdue—O. L. Simmons, '93, is practicing law at Goshen, Ind.

Virginia—E. W. Stearns, '98, is practicing law at Richmond.

Cornell—C. B. Mason is a lawyer at 30 Genesee Street, Utica, N. Y.

Lansing—Prof. W. F. Durand, '80, is president of Cornell's athletic council.

Leland Stanford—John E. McDowell, '99, enjoyed a trip to Japan last fall.

Tulane and Vanderbilt—C. P. Williams, '95, is prosecuting attorney at St. Louis, Mo.

Richmond—George B. Bryan, '81, is editor of the *Virginia Law Review* at Richmond.

Pennsylvania—C. H. McCauley, Jr., '01, is in the real estate business, Williamsport, Pa.

Alabama—J. S. Stillman is bookkeeper for the Empire Steel and Iron Co., Catasauqua, Pa.

Virginia—Wm. S. Bryan, of Baltimore, was elected Lieutenant-governor of Maryland last fall.

Allegheny—Rev. Wm. F. Harris is pastor of St. Paul's M. E. Memorial Church, South Bend, Ind.

Hanover and Wooster—C. T. Jamieson, '75, is cashier of the First National Bank, Wellington, Ohio.

Gettysburg—C. R. Coble, '97, whose home is at Lykens, Pa., is a hospital steward in the Philippines.

Vanderbilt—George C. Jones, LL. D., '79, is President of Arcadelphia Methodist College, Arkadelphia, Ark.

Emory—J. T. Fletcher, of Columbus, Ga., was recently married to Miss Holland Harris, of Birmingham, Ala.

Randolph-Macon—Rev. Wm. E. Thompson, D. D., is pastor of the First Methodist Church, Memphis, Tenn.

Vanderbilt—H. L. Livingston, '95, a lawyer at Memphis, was married there, January 27, to Miss Martha Jarnogin.

Syracuse—E. D. Rich, class of '92 at Syracuse, and graduate, '95, at Renssalaer, is city engineer at Summit, N. J.

Randolph-Macon—Rev. T. N. Simpson, D. D., '77, is pastor of the Clay Street Methodist Church, Richmond, Va.

Brown—A. C. Ely is a teacher in the high school, Worcester, Mass. S. H. Whitley, '03, is at Harvard Law School.

Kansas—J. M. Sills, '03, is with the engineering department of the Frisco system, with headquarters at Springfield, Mo.

Northwestern—Frank Webb, '98, is appearing in support of Harry Beresford in the "Professor's Love Story," now touring the western states.

Cincinnati—Rev. Owen Stovall, '99, graduated recently at Rochester Theological Seminary, is pastor of the Baptist Church at Plymouth, Mich.

Richmond—Dr. W. S. Gordon, '79, a physician at Richmond, Va., is the author of a recently issued book, "Recollections of the Old Quarter."

Dartmouth—Kendall Banning, '02, is general manager and editor of *System*, a magazine for business men published by the Shaw-Walker Company, Chicago.

Dickinson—M. B. Stephens, '85, was state superintendent of public instruction in Maryland several years. His address is Lafayette and Carrollton avenues, Baltimore.

Randolph-Macon—Leroy E. Kern, A. B., '98, at Randolph-Macon and special honor man at M. I. T., 1902, has been appointed government architect at Manila, P. I.

Ohio State—H. H. Ward, '90, finds that the presidency of the national association of life underwriters is keeping him as busy as did the presidency of Phi Delta Theta. One of the largest life insurance companies recently made him a very flattering offer if he would remove from Cleveland to New York, but he declined it.

Michigan—Former Circuit Judge P. R. Flitcraft, '71, is a 33d degree Mason. For nine years he has been Wise Master of St. Louis Chapter Rose Croix, No. 1, St. Louis, Mo.

Indianapolis—A. B. Clarke, '97, and Miss Mabel Purcell were married at Vincennes, Ind., February 14, then taking a trip to Florida. Bro. Clarke is owner of the Sugar Loaf coal mine.

Buchtel—Frank S. Pixley, '87, is the author of the comic operas, "The Burgomaster," "King Dodo," and "The Prince of Pilsen;" and with Opie Read, he wrote "The Carpet Bagger."

Lafayette—Pennsylvania Alpha has recently received several interesting and welcome letters from P. S. Heintzleman, '01, who is connected with the United States diplomatic corps at Pekin, China.

Wabash—Gen. J. C. Black, '62, appointed by President Roosevelt a member of the Civil Service Commission, entered upon his duties in January, and has been made president of the commission.

Colby—R. A. Metcalf, '86, has charge of the New York City office of Allen & Bacon, publishers, 31 Union Square, West, his residence address being 417 South First avenue, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Brown—L. L. Drury, '02, and Miss Mary Georgia Roberts were married at Brattleboro, Vt., Dec. 12. They will reside at Mount Vernon, Mass., where he holds a position in the well known academy of that place.

Miami—Congress has passed a joint resolution authorizing the erection of a monument in memory of the late President Benjamin Harrison, '52, upon land owned by the United States in the city of Indianapolis.

Virginia—Col. G. W. Miles, '82, is head master of St. Albans University, School, Radford, Va., owner of the Radford *Advance*, president of the Marion & Rye Valley R. R., and head of various other enterprises.

Virginia—E. Willey Stearns, '99, is practicing law at Richmond. His brother, Charles P. Stearns, also a member of Virginia Beta, is now at the university in the medical class, and is captain of the baseball team this season.

Ohio—H. G. Armstrong, '74, is a real estate and insurance agent at Ripley, W. Va.—Prof. Leander Miller, '74, is located at Cottageville, W. Va.; C. H. Welch, '78, at Charleston, W. Va.—C. F. Beery, '93, is city solicitor at Akron, Ohio.

Lansing—In the February *McClure* is an article, "A Corner in Labor," by Ray Stannard Baker, '89, describing conditions in San Francisco where labor unions have undisputed sway. It is one of his most interesting contemporary sociological studies. A new book by him, "Boy's Second Book of Invention," has just been published by McClure Phillips & Co.

Pennsylvania—Dr. W. S. Carter, '90, is professor of physiology in the University of Texas, at Galveston. He was awarded the Alvarenga prize of the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, in 1903, for his essay on "The Relation of the Parathyroids to the Thyroid Glands." Another Pennsylvania Zeta man, John B. Haden, '91, is on the teaching staff of the University of Texas—in the department of ophthalmology. He was affiliated from Sewanee.

Randolph-Macon and Virginia—S. S. Lambeth, Virginia Gamma, '90, is a member of the Virginia House of Delegates. He is also a member of the law firm of Jones, Lambert & Roper at Norfolk. The senior member of the firm is Claggett B. Jones, Virginia Beta, '79, who was a member of the Virginia constitutional convention in 1901-02. He is prominently spoken of for Attorney General of the State, the next election for which will be in 1905.

Miami—Since the death of Gen. James Longstreet and Gen. J. B. Gordon, there are only four surviving Confederate Lieutenant-generals—S. D. Lee, S. B. Buckner, Joseph Wheeler and A. P. Stewart. The latter, graduated at West Point, '42, was a professor at Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn., in 1853, when Ohio Alpha elected him a member of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ to establish a chapter at Cumberland. He accepted membership but was unable to establish a chapter. General Stewart is now a member of the Chickamauga National Military Park Commission, Chattanooga. This commission has three members, one other being a member of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ —Gen. H. V. N. Boynton, *K. M. I.*, '58.

Indianapolis.—“A History of the Mississippi Valley, from its Discovery to the End of Foreign Domination,” was written by John R. Spears, '72 (in collaboration with A. H. Clark), and published by A. S. Clark, 174 Fulton Street, New York. It is an octavo volume of 436 pages, containing 15 prints of places, 44 portraits, 23 maps, 5 plans, 10 head and tail pieces, and 24 historical chapter headings. The price is \$5 net. The following notice is from the Indianapolis *News*: ‘It is Mr. Spears whom the New York *Sun* sent to the mountains of Kentucky to find out the truth about feudal wars, and to all other places where pluck and courage were needed to enable a correspondent to get his facts.



From *The Literary Digest*.

JOHN R. SPEARS.

Mr. Spears, whose work the scissors men of American newspapers are constantly looking for, is the ideal reporter. He sees all sides of a ‘story,’ as by a kind of mental *coup d’oeil*; and to accurate observation he adds literary skill of a high order. It cannot often be said that a newspaper writer has style; but we think there would be little difficulty in identifying Mr. Spear’s work no matter where found, by its simplicity and directness.”

COLLEGIATE.

Teachers’ College of Columbia University is offering a course in pedagogics designed especially for Sunday school teachers.

It is announced that hereafter all students, before graduation at the University of Minnesota, must pass an examination in spelling.

Several warehouses owned by Johns Hopkins were burned in the great Baltimore fire, but the loss of the university will not be serious—only about \$8,000 out of \$150,000 worth of insurance. In addition, of course, will be the loss of income until the destroyed buildings are rebuilt.

The one hundredth anniversary of the University of Vermont and the fiftieth anniversary of the University of Wisconsin will be celebrated next June.

The governors of McGill have decided to create a conservatory of music in connection with the university, and are considering the establishment of a railway department.

Columbia has raised its tuition fee from \$200 to \$250 in the School of Applied Science and the College of Physicians and Surgeons. Tuition at M. I. T. is \$250; at Stevens, \$225.

The report of the business manager of the University of Chicago shows that it has accumulated in ten years \$15,128,-375.99—just about the amount that Harvard has been 268 years in acquiring.

During the last ten years the attendance of students at the University of Maine has increased faster than at any other New England college; it has tripled, increasing from 180 in 1894 to 525 in 1904.

Governor Durbin, of Indiana, has started a subscription to raise funds with which to erect at Purdue University a memorial to the students killed in the Big Four railroad wreck at Indianapolis last fall.

Dartmouth Hall, built about 110 years ago, and the oldest building of Dartmouth College, was burned February 18. Plans have already been made for rebuilding it of stone or brick instead of wood.

Amherst students have formed a mountain-climbing club and have elected as its president Dr. Edward Hitchcock, dean of the faculty. The doctor is 75 years old, and is a graduate of the college in the class of '49. Despite his years, he is lithe and active.

The qualifications for the ideal college professor, as outlined by President W. R. Harper in a lecture at the University of Chicago on "The Faculty of a College," are: (1.) He should be married. (2.) He should be a church member. (3.) He should mix with his students outside the class rooms. (4.) He should have a doctor's degree. (5.) He should be willing to work hard eleven months in the year. (6.) He should be in sympathy with the public, and take an active interest in public affairs.

The English club of Syracuse has planned for the most elaborate staging of King Lear ever given by a college dramatic society. All the costumes have been prepared under the direction of professional experts and a professional make-up man has been secured from New York for costuming on the night of the production. Electrical appliances will be used for storm effects, and these will also be shipped from New York, with a man to operate them.



Courtesy of *The Literary Digest*.

GERMANIC MUSEUM AT HARVARD.
Interior View, Showing the Kaiser's Gift of Sculptural Monuments.

Five members of the freshman class of Princeton have been expelled for cheating at examinations. Two residents of the town have been arrested for selling examination papers to the boys. One of the men who works in the shop where the papers were printed is said to have furnished copies of the papers to freshmen at prices ranging from \$10 to \$30. Five boys bought the papers and used them in examinations. Another freshman who was approached refused to buy the papers, and reported the affair to the "honor committee," consisting

of one man from each of the under classes and two from each of the upper classes. This committee recommended the expulsion of the five students, and the faculty acted on their suggestion.

Cornell has finally decided to give up the attempt of founding an honor system. The students were asked to sign two conditions, one of which was a promise neither to give nor receive help, and the other to report any other student found guilty of breaking these rules. Almost all the students signed the first, but very few the second. Students found guilty were to be reported first to a student committee, this committee to report to the faculty. The fact that so many students refused to sign the second agreement is the reason for abandoning the scheme. Hereafter there is to be a space between every two persons trying an examination, and an instructor will always be present. The New York *Evening Sun* says:

What is the matter with the Cornell students? Perhaps nothing is the matter with them, the trouble being that the spirit was willing while the flesh was weak. The "honor" system under which examinations were held is to be abandoned, strange to say, at the request of youths who were caught cribbing. They could not resist the temptation induced by the absence of vigilant overseers. So all the students are to be isolated in future. It would be absurd to argue from the failure of moral suasion at Ithaca that boys at that university have no sense of honor. The schoolboy sense of honor, like the college sense of honor, is a peculiar thing. Take lying, for instance. A whole class will lie to protect a culprit, and lie, too, from a sense of honor. It just shows that the code of morals in such establishments is different from that which prevails in the outside world. It is a fact that the professors are regarded as policemen, as enemies of society. To get the better of them is not criminal. It is a fact that must be recognized. Do what you will, you can't get the young idea to regard the academic treadmill as something sacred. The proper rule is to let the faculty look out for itself. It is different at the women's colleges. There the Ten Commandments are part of the system.

Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews, ex-President of Brown University and present Chancellor of the University of Nebraska, has been making some comparisons between eastern and western college students. His general conclusion, based upon his contact with both classes of students, seems to be that eastern college boys are more versatile and "finished," but that western scholars have more of the solid qualities that go to make real character and mentality. He says in the New York *Independent*:

If the western college student is in culture scarcely the peer of his eastern contemporary, he quite balances the account by superior mental power—I am, of course, speaking of the usual or average case—and by greater

industry. Western youth can boast as good blood and ancestry as eastern. The best immigrants to the United States have settled in the West, and their numerous children and grandchildren attending universities are among our most promising students. Western men and women put forth effort more naturally than the scions of families who have been well-to-do for generations. They possess the will for it, and also the strong physique. Never have I seen in the East, save in professional and graduate schools, such desperate and unremitting application to study as characterizes the mass of students in the prairie States.

Western students generally display a veritably insatiable hunger for higher education. In them survives the spirit of their pioneer fathers, who, before they had places to lay their heads, taxed themselves to build schools and equip universities. Western students attend college to learn rather than to be taught. They average to study many more hours a day than eastern. The typical college idler is never seen here. With eagerness for knowledge the western student combines a zeal and a power for hard work seldom if ever witnessed in eastern institutions.

The outside "seminar," to cram men for "exams," reducing the necessity of study to a minimum, and turning into a farce so much undergraduate "work" at the oldest of our universities, the West has not adopted.

This assiduity in mental toil—often under the greatest obstacles—is an invaluable discipline, not only intellectual, but moral, tending to form and settle a young man's character as desultory study could not possibly do. It is not astonishing, then, that the Western collegian should display not merely much the greater power of concentration, but also the more earnestness morally. This shows itself as well in his general as in his collegiate life. The moral weight of the average university student is among the things that have most impressed me in my experience West.

Native ability, enthusiasm for knowledge, coupled with the power for study which their strong physiques impart, and their readier submissiveness to discipline, all attested by the goodly number of fellowships which western men and women hold in eastern graduate schools, assure the coming generation of western scholars a prominent place in American mental life. These are some of the reasons why, as a New England college professor (not a professor of rhetoric) has put it, to continue as our chief purveyor of highest educational products, "the East has got to get onto her job."

The University of Chicago is no longer a Baptist institution. President W. R. Harper recently announced that it had outgrown its denominational character. He declared that in the nature of its faculty, its students and its methods it had spread beyond its allegiance to the Baptist Church. Most of the students and most of the professors, he said, were non-Baptists. All the buildings on the campus were paid for by people of other creeds, he continued, and \$99 out of every \$100, except that given by J. D. Rockefeller, who is a Baptist, were contributed by people not members of that church. Religious denominationalism in universities, he said, was "narrow mindedness," and the fact that the University of Chicago had broken away from this class was an evidence of its progress.

Referring to this matter, the Providence *Journal* says: "Outside of J. D. Rockefeller's benefactions, the gifts to Brown University have come principally from those who were not Baptists. Sayles Memorial Hall, the John Carter Brown Memorial Library, the Ladd observatory, the Bajnotti clock tower, the Sharpe Memorial organ, Wilson Hall, and other benefactions were not derived from Baptist sources."



"ALMA MATER."—COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

The bronze statue shown above is the work of the famous sculptor Daniel Chester French. It represents a woman seated in a chair, her right hand holding a sceptre surmounted by the crown of King's College, the name of Columbia University before the Revolution. It was the gift of Mrs. Robert

Goelet and her son Robert W. Goelet, in memory of Robert Goelet, class of '60. It occupies a commanding position on the steps of Columbia's library building. It was unveiled at the opening exercises of the university's one hundredth and fiftieth year last September.

HELLENIC.

A T Ω has re-established a chapter at Lehigh.

Δ T Δ has entered Wesleyan (Conn.), Columbian (D. C.) and Baker (Kan.).

Barnard (Columbia) has six sororities—K A Θ, K K Γ, Γ Φ B, Δ Δ Δ, A Φ and A Θ Π.

Π B Φ has entered Dickinson; K A Θ has entered Vanderbilt; Γ Φ B has entered Barnard.

The mascot of the Chicago chapter of B Θ Π is a cinnamon bear, presented by a pledged member.

Prof. M. G. Dodge, of Leland Stanford, is the editor of the new Δ Y catalogue, the price of which is \$7.

Σ Φ E, which is said to have two or three small chapters in Virginia, has placed a chapter at Bethany College, W. Va.

According to the Δ T Δ *Rainbow*, Θ N E has entered Georgia Tech., its membership being drawn from K Σ, A T Ω, Φ Δ Θ and Σ A E.

Θ Ζ now has six chapters—Rensselaer, S. S. S. (Yale), Stevens, M. I. T., Columbia and Cornell. It publishes a very small *Quarterly*.

The Ohio State correspondent of the K Σ *Caduceus* announces that the hay crop was good last year, consequently the freshman class is large.

Φ Α Φ, a local at Dakota College, Mitchell, S. D., is said to have elected President Roosevelt to honorary membership during his last western tour.—K Σ *Caduceus*.

B Θ Π has had a hard time of it at Vanderbilt since it was established there twenty years ago. Through the efforts of local alumni, the chapter is again being reorganized.

According to a new rule of the Allegheny faculty, each fraternity there may give only one party or reception each session, and it must close not later than 10:45 p. m.

The flag adopted by the $\Delta\ Upsilon$ Convention last November has three equal perpendicular bars, the two center bars blue, the middle bar gold, bearing the fraternity badge in blue.

The *Journal* of Kappa Alpha, which has a chapter at Hampden-Sidney, reports that " $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$ has gone out of business" there, and " $K\Sigma$, while tottering, has decided to hold on a little while longer."

A charter of $\Lambda\Theta\Omega$ has been granted to a crowd in school, making in all nine fraternities, which is about the limit that a school of this size can support.—Purdue correspondence of the *Phi Gamma Delta*.

As noted in the *Kappa Alpha Journal*, an editorial in the *Beta Theta Pi* chronicles the coining of a new Greek word, "hered," to designate a new student who by heredity is naturally the property of a particular fraternity.

$\Phi\Gamma\Delta$ is said to be making an effort to enter Stevens Institute and to have revived her chapter at Mecklenburg, where she meets only $\Lambda\Theta\Omega$. Within the past five years this fraternity has given out fifteen charters.— $\Theta\Delta X\ Shield$.

A chapter of $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$ has recently been re-established here, with about fifteen men, after efforts extending over several months. This makes the fourteenth fraternity represented here.—Stanford correspondence of *Beta Theta Pi*.

Kappa Alpha, founded at Washington and Lee, 1865, has been granted permission to build a memorial hall on the campus there, and is endeavoring to raise the necessary funds. Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson, is announced to lecture at Lexington, Va., this month for that purpose.

A writer in the *Delta Delta Delta Trident* protests against "the unusual uses to which many sorority women subject their pins," and says: "The emblems of their respective societies are used upside-down, or rightside-up, in place of a lost shirt-waist button; or they are called upon to supply the missing link in a cuff, to fasten a stock, to pin a belt securely, or even to clasp milady's stray scolding locks; in fact they are put to every use that woman's marvelous ingenuity can devise."

A K K, a medical fraternity founded at Dartmouth, 1888, now has 24 chapters. It has three chapters in Nashville—in the medical departments of the University of Nashville, the University of Tennessee, and Vanderbilt University.

Fraternities are rushing into Georgia Tech. X Φ and Φ K Σ have entered this year. A member of the faculty and a student, who are members of Θ Δ X, are coaching a local society for their fraternity. Π K A is reported to be trying to obtain a foothold.

There are 102 cities and towns with seven or more resident Kappa Alphas, the requisite number for an alumni chapter. In these towns are 1,973 Kappa Alphas, of whom 225 are *Journal* subscribers. It may be noted that we have only 29 alumni chapters, while we should have 102.—K A *Journal*.

On authority of a paragraph in a Columbus paper, THE SCROLL stated that the recent convention of Δ Y granted a charter to a local society at Ohio State University. This statement was erroneous. Δ Y has not yet granted applications it has received from O. S. U. and the University of Illinois.

Verner M. Jones, of Nashville, once editor of the K A *Journal*, has resumed his connection with it, as associate editor. He wields a vigorous and sometimes trenchant pen, as editors of other fraternity journals will probably soon discover, if our surmise is correct, that he is to write up exchanges and Greek news.

The chapter of Π K A at Tulane, dormant since 1881, has been revived, making eleven chapters there. Π K A has twenty chapters, and is more exclusively southern than even Southern K A, which has some western and Pacific coast chapters. None of the chapters of Π K A is north of the Potomac or west of the Mississippi.

The first Greek fraternity of colored students has been organized at Indiana University. The name of A K M has been adopted. The total membership is ten, which includes all the colored people attending the university. A constitution was adopted and chapters will be established in all the leading negro colleges. It is expected to make Wilberforce, Ohio, the second chapter. A badge is now being designed.
—Σ A E Record.

It has just come to light here that there is a chapter of Θ N E in the college. A sort of "gum shoe installation" was held in the woods somewhere near Irvington several weeks ago. The chapter is composed of four Phi Deltas, four Sigma Chis and one unaffiliated member of Π K A. Butler correspondence, Δ T Δ *Rainbow* for January.

Dr. Charles W. Dabney the new president of the University of Cincinnati is a Φ Γ Δ. For years he has been president of the University of Tennessee, where he established a flourishing chapter of Φ Γ Δ. We would not be surprised to see that fraternity established at Cincinnati soon. During the last few years it has established many new chapters and it now has 58 active chapters.

The A T Ω *Palm* contains a notice of the first banquet of the newly organized Pan Hellenic club, of Houston, Texas. It took place on November 23, and was attended by 39 men representing 14 fraternities—A Δ Φ, A T Ω, B Θ Π, Δ K E, Δ T Δ, K A, K Σ, Π K A, Σ A E, Σ N, Σ X, Φ Γ Δ, Φ Δ Θ and Φ K A. E. M. Armstrong, of Φ Δ Θ, was chosen a director of the club.

Upper classmen of the Alpha Sigma fraternity at the University of Michigan have decided to drink an unknown poison until its effects on the human system are known to science. The Alpha Sigma is a homeopathic fraternity affiliated with the New York fraternity now drinking the venom of the cobra.

The above item appears in a dispatch from Ann Arbor in the New York *Sun*, January 27, which added the following:

Dr. William H. King, the dean of the New York Homeopathic Medical College, said last evening that the members of one of the college fraternities had taken light doses of several poisons several weeks ago. "This was done merely to produce certain symptoms and not to harden the students to poison," said Dr. King.

Ψ Y has made a flattering concession to that part of the United States lying west of the Mississippi River, by granting a charter to a body of petitioners at the University of California, after voting on one occasion never to grant another charter, and on another, as late as 1896, making the equally intelligent decision never to establish a chapter west of the Mississippi. The trans-Mississippi country will doubtless feel that the struggle toward a higher civilization has not been in vain, now that, with considerable reluctance, Ψ Y has recognized a few of the natives as fit to associate with.—Φ K Ψ *Shield*.

Two former editors of the $\Delta T \Delta$ *Rainbow* have recently been elected presidents of colleges—Rev. E. H. Hughes, D. D., President of De Pauw University, and K. C. Babcock, Ph. D., President of the University of Arizona. The latter was President of the fraternity, 1893-99, being during that time an instructor in the University of California. The *Rainbow* is now edited by F. F. Rogers, who lives at Deming, N. Mex., but it is printed in New York City.

An athletic fraternity has been formed at the University of Iowa. At first chapters will be established only in the "Big Nine," but, later, it is proposed to have chapters in practically every American university. The chief object of the fraternity is to spread a bond of fellowship among college athletes and remove the feeling of distrust and suspicion which sometimes exists. Only wearers of the 'Varsity initials will be entitled to membership.—*Purdue Exponent*.

From the type of men a majority of their chapters seek, certain fraternities may still be loosely classified as "sporty," "athletic," "literary," or "musical," but even in these instances individual exceptions have so increased that any attempts at general classification fails in accuracy. Most of the fraternities that a decade ago could have been fairly well labelled as "Southern," "Eastern," or "Western," have of late years so branched out into other fields of extension that the sectional classification has been outgrown.— $\Delta T \Delta$ *Rainbow*.

$\Phi \Delta \Phi$, the legal fraternity founded at Michigan, 1860, has 34 active chapters. Three of them are in New York City—in Columbia, New York University and New York Law School. Of the five members of the council of $\Phi \Delta \Phi$, two are members of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ —C. T. Terry, of New York, and C. M. C. Buntain, of Chicago, the former being President of $\Phi \Delta \Phi$. Under the heading "More Legal Fraternities," the *Brief* of $\Phi \Delta \Phi$ publishes the following item:

The legal press reports the founding of a new legal fraternity, the $\Theta \Lambda \Phi$, at the Dickinson College Law School, and the establishing of a second chapter at the Detroit Law School. Also the founding of another law fraternity, the $\Sigma N \Phi$, at the National University Law School, and a second chapter at the Indiana University Law School. Similar to ΔX , both of these new orders are due to unsuccessful efforts to obtain charters from $\Phi \Delta \Phi$. Besides these, the $\Gamma H \Phi$, that has existed at the University of Maine Law School for some two years, recently installed a chapter in the Boston Law School.

ΔX , above referred to, was founded at Cornell, 1891. It now has 16 active chapters and issues a *Quarterly*.

Within a short time K Σ has entered Dickinson College, North Carolina State College, Washington University, Baker University, University of Denver, Case School of Applied Science, Missouri State School of Mines and the University of Washington. The February *Caduceus* gives accounts of installation at Case, November 26; University of Washington, December 15; Missouri School of Mines, December 19. When the last (1898) edition of "American College Fraternities" was published, K Σ had 47 active chapters; it now has 64.

The Δ T Δ *Rainbow* republishes from a Chicago daily the following incident of the Iroquois Theater fire:

W. M. McLaughlin, nephew of Dr. F. W. Gunsalus, President of Armour School of Technology, lay in the rows of dying in Thompson's restaurant. Upon his vest was a jewelled pin of the Delta Tau Delta—his college fraternity—and as the young medical student who bent over the dying man saw that his life was fast ebbing away, he thought of the pin, for he, too, was fresh from college, where fraternity pins are held of much account.

"I'd better take off your frat pin, old man," said the doctor, "some one might take it if you go, you know."

"No, I guess not," said the dying man weakly, "it's been a pal of mine for quite awhile, and I wouldn't like to have it taken off now. Just let it stay to the finish." And it stayed.

Certain fraternities with only a few chapters, or with considerably fewer than the larger fraternities, endeavor to make capital out of the fact they are "conservative," but, if the true facts were known, the principal reason why they do not extend is that they do not receive applications for charters. They are conservative from necessity rather than by choice. Undoubtedly they improve all of the few good opportunities that are presented to them. On this point the *Beta Theta Pi* says: "Some of the fraternities which count less than half the number of chapters on our roll, and which pride themselves on their alleged conservatism and exclusiveness, have never rejected any proposition made to them, while R Θ II at least has been really conservative, considering its numerous opportunities."

A X P was founded at Trinity College, Hartford, Ct., 1895. The moving spirit was an Episcopal rector at Detroit, a member of Ψ Y, who had a son at Trinity. It now has five chapters—Trinity, Brooklyn Tech., Columbia, Pennsylvania and Lafayette. A chapter established at Iowa died some time ago. Lafayette was entered last December. Though the active chapters may be counted on the fingers of one hand, the

directory in the *Garnet and White* is solemnly headed, "The National College Fraternity of Alpha Chi Rho." While A X P is now confined to three states, it expects to grow. The item which appeared in THE SCROLL last October saying that Σ N had grown from 3 chapters in 1883 to 48 in 1903 is reprinted in the *Garnet and White* under the heading, "What A X P may come to."

Southern K A established a "council of honor," 1893, in which should be enrolled, by vote of the convention, "those that have done most for the order's advancement." The K A *Journal* advises the committee in charge of the revision of the fraternity's constitution to abolish the 'council', and says: "Of the ten men elected to the 'council' by the convention of 1893, seven were there present. A majority of those since added have been present at the conventions which elected them. This plainly shows that selections are generally made according to the personal popularity of nominees with those present, and that services to the order are seldom considered."

The convention of Θ Δ X was held this month at the Majestic Hotel, New York, where the convention of Φ Δ Θ was held November, 1902. The Θ Δ X convention began Saturday, February 23, with a theatre party, "Babes in Toyland" being the attraction. Sunday there was a memorial service at the Fourth Presbyterian Church, Monday evening a smoker at the Arion club, and Tuesday evening a banquet at the Majestic Hotel. The New York *Sun* reports "more than 300" present at the banquet, and says that D. G. Lockwood, a member of the parent chapter at Union, inactive since 1869, announced "that there was a prospect to re-establish the chapter," which "caused prolonged cheering."

"Canada as a Fraternity Field" is the title of an article in the November *Beta Theta Pi*, written by Wm. S. Keller, O. W. U., '99. He mentions that the first chapter of a Greek letter fraternity in Canada was established, 1879, at Toronto by Z Ψ, which established a second Canadian chapter at McGill, 1883; and he continues:

For thirteen years Z Ψ was alone in the Canadian land, but soon after the entrance of the second fraternity (which was Northern K A in 1892) the Greek organizations began to investigate and inhabit the field; and, as a result, there are now represented in Canada the following fraternities: Toronto—Z Ψ, K A, A Δ Φ, Δ T, and Δ K E; McGill—Z Ψ, K A, A Δ Φ, Δ T, Φ K Σ, Δ K E, Θ Δ X and Φ Δ Θ. The professional

fraternities have also entered several of the Canadian schools, as follows: Medical—McGill Medical College, $\Phi\ B\ II$; Toronto Medical College, $N\ \Sigma\ N$, and the legal, at the Law School of Upper Canada, $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Phi$ and $\Delta\ X$. The last of the collegiate fraternities to enter Canada was $\Phi\ \Delta\ \Theta$, in 1902, which it of special interest to Betas, as it marks the first advance of this kind in the history of the "Miami Triad."

The quality of the fraternities represented in Canada is well recognized, as is the success of the individual chapters. In practically all cases the fraternities that have instituted one chapter in Canada have been justified in the founding of the second, and with one exception ($\Phi\ K\ \Sigma$, which died in 1898, at Toronto), all the chapters are at present active.

Mr. Keller gives the following table of statistics regarding the larger colleges in the Dominion, explaining that by "available students" is meant undergraduates in the classical, scientific or technological courses, exclusive of purely professional students:

Name of University	Founded	Endow- ment	Value of property	Annual Income	Total en- rollment students	Available stu'd's for fraterniti's	Denomina- tion
McGill University, Montreal, Que.	1821	\$ 2,750,000	\$ 2,800,000	\$ 230,000	1,182	416	{ Undenom- inational
Univ. of Toronto, Toronto, Ont.	1827	1,187,683	1,457,339	119,087	1,353	683	{ Undenom- inational
*Victoria Univ'ty, Toronto, Ont.	1836	280,000	320,000	26,000	271	194	{ Undenom- inational
Univ'ty of Trinity College, Toronto, Ont.	1852	750,000	325,000	35,000	350	57	{ Church of England
Univ'ty of Queen's College, Kingston, Ont.	1841	400,000	125,000	46,000	635	250	Presbyterian
Univ. of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, Ont.	1843	196,275	166,280	21,150	165	26	{ Church of England
Dalhouse College and University, Halifax, N. S.	1821	340,000	80,000	22,700	326	150	
Univ'ty of Arcadia College, Wolfville, N. S.	1838	155,000	120,000	12,000	122	101	Baptist
Univ'sity of Mount Allison College Sackville, N. B.	1862	117,500	120,000	22,500	175	70	Methodist

*Now connected with the University of Toronto.

Mr. Keller says: "Now comes the question, 'Is it wise for $\Phi\ \Theta\ II$ to extend to the extent of becoming international?'" He concludes that, "If the fraternity undertakes extension into Canada it must be content with a limited field; but while the field is limited, it is none the less good."

Mr. W. A. Crawford, $K\ \Sigma$, of Arkadelphia, Ark., issued circular letters to the presidents of the leading colleges and universities throughout the United States, asking their opin-

ions of fraternities. Forty-eight replies were received and printed, 1903, in a pamphlet of 33 pages, entitled "The American College Fraternity." Nearly all of the replies were favorable to fraternities, the most marked exception being that of President R. H. Jesse, of Missouri, as follows:

Greek-letter fraternities in my opinion are worthless institutions. Sometimes they are even harmful. The effort, however, to break them up generally does more harm than the fraternities do. In fact, in my opinion, this is true of ninety-nine hundredths of the efforts to abolish them. It is impossible for the college authorities to abolish them if the students make up their minds to maintain them. It is perhaps best to persuade the students to abandon them. If this fails, the next best thing is to try to make them a means of grace. If the efforts which are expended in abolishing them were expended in leading them into the right way they would become, I think, a means of grace.

The *Δ K E Quarterly* for February contains a short account of the annual convention of that fraternity at Syracuse, November 11-14. The only illustration is the frontispiece, a half-tone of the convention, showing "about 175 men—an unusually large number." Of the 40 active chapters, 4 were unrepresented. Applications for charters from the Universities of Illinois and Texas were rejected, but a speaker at the banquet expressed the hope that they would finally be granted and said: "If we, as a fraternity, wish to keep abreast of the times, we must not be too conservative in the establishment of new chapters." Another speaker at the banquet spoke as follows:

Δ K E has always been in favor of an intelligent form of expansion; she has always stood for growth and has never stood still. Δ K E was founded in the New England States, and from there soon spread to the South. Δ K E has always realized that, to maintain the position which her founders intended her to maintain, she must keep her eye on the whole country; she must realize that changes are taking place, that the center of population is at one time in one place and then at another, that the big institutions are in the West, and that the character of these institutions is changing. The new state universities are perhaps our field.

Δ K E is no insular, provincial fraternity. We stand for more than the smaller fraternities. This has always been a great safeguard, and has kept us from falling into a self satisfied rut. Since the inception of Δ K E, our policy has been to look far into the future, with a view to maintain our attitude as a large, catholic, national fraternity. Δ K E has always stood for expansion. She has added laurel after laurel to her Treasures, but has never rested on her laurels. The fraternity as a whole does not need a more numerous chapter roll, but we do need to take advantage of every chance of increasing the prestige of Δ K E.

THE HANOVER CHAPTER.



THE PYX.

Reporters of alumni clubs are requested to send to THE SCROLL accounts of Alumni Day celebrations by March 20. Reporters of college chapters are also requested to send chapter letters by that date—not later—but supplemental items of importance, if received before April 1, will be mentioned in “The Pyx.” Reporters and all other readers of THE SCROLL are requested to send us “Personal,” “Collegiate” and “Hellenic” news and to inform us about suitable cuts which may be used for illustrations.

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“Directory, Indianapolis Alumni of Phi Delta Theta, September, 1903,” is the title of a pamphlet issued by Brothers S. K. Ruick and Wm. H. Morrison, Jr. It enrolls 186 members in Indianapolis and 115 in the immediate vicinity—49 of them at Franklin. The Hoosier capital has long been a $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ stronghold. In this list of 301 men are many This who have rendered important services to the Fraternity; and many men of conspicuous prominence in their various professions. This is the second edition of the directory (the first having been printed in 1901); it is conveniently arranged and reflects much credit on its editors. We hope that similar directories will be issued by This in many other cities.

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We are glad to note the enthusiasm of Bloomington, Ill., This, as shown in the following clipping from *The Pantagraph*, of December 7, 1903:

“The $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ fraternity, which some years ago, was a notable factor in Bloomington social life, was brought together in a delightful reunion on Saturday evening. It was the occasion of the annual banquet, and this year a special effort was made to get out-of-town members present to enjoy the renewal of brotherly ties. The consequence was that about thirty-five members residing in Bloomington and nearby towns gathered at the Illinois, where the meeting was planned. A supper was served, followed by a number of impromptu speeches by nearly every member present. In all, it proved to be one of the best attended and most delightful gatherings of members of the fraternity that has been held for several years.”

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Westminster Phi Delta Thetas are in the chapter house procession. Their current chapter letter shows that they have purchased a lot in a handsome location, in Fulton, with the intention of erecting a chapter house before September. We toss up our hats with gladness and congratulate them upon this beginning of the realization of their cherished plans. By



MISSOURI BETA IN FOOTBALL.
MILLER, Left Guard. WILSON, Manager. HAMACHER, Substitute.
SOUKE, Right Half. SKINNER (Capt.), Left Half. CALVINO, Left Tackle.
NEBBIT, Fullback.

the way, this is fast becoming an old story in THE SCROLL, but it ever delights us. We wish that the next numbers could be largely devoted to accounts of new chapter houses acquired by the twenty chapters yet unhoused. These are great days of internal improvements in Phi Delta Theta. They are making for her greater stability and permanent glory. Our Phis of Westminster are peculiarly beloved by the whole Fraternity, and they have our happiest wishes, for the spirit of Father Morrison abides with them.

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MISSOURI BETA IN FOOTBALL.

Westminster's team of 1903 has been one of which the college can justly be proud. Averaging less than one hundred and fifty pounds, the team defeated opponents outweighing it by more than fifteen pounds to the man.

Missouri Beta was represented on the team by 6 men, Bro. Seibert being captain. The back field, composed of Bro. Seibert, left half, Bro. Nesbitt, fullback, and Bro. Soule, right half, made up the fastest trio Westminster has ever had.

Bro. Miller at left guard and Bro. Calvird at left tackle, were the strongest men in the line, both on the offensive and defensive. Bro. Hamacher, substitute, showed himself to be good football material early in the season, but owing to illness was unable to practice regularly during the first of the season.

Bro. Sam J. P. Anderson, who made such an enviable reputation at left half on Missouri's team during seasons '93-'94-'95, acted as coach. Bro. Wilson, who has managed all the athletic teams during the last two years, managed the team, and deserves especial credit for the success he made of it.

Westminster's 1904 team promises to be strong, and Missouri Beta will have a number of important places. Bro. Nesbitt will captain the team.

W. A. SOULE.

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Franklin College is the only institution of learning in the country organized on a joint stock basis. While the endowment fund of the college and the other funds have always been placed so advantageously that the income in proportion to the investment has been very good, still the stockholders are not allowed to draw dividends. Each stockholder is allowed to vote for the directors or members of the college board and in this way he may participate in shaping the policy of the institution.

FRATERNITY PILLOWS.
Covers sold by J. P. Newman, Fraternity Jeweler, 11 John Street, New York, N. Y.



"There appears to be a false impression abroad that the University of Chicago is a school for the rich alone. It is believed that the students here are all rich men's sons," said Dr. C. A. Henderson at chapel exercises there recently. He admonished the students to do their best to destroy what he declared was a mistaken idea by treating the poorer students with respect, and he said: "College students should not look down upon their poorer comrades. The attitude of some college men is to be deplored. The men of this university should be as democratic as those of any other college."

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In his recently issued annual report, President Elliott of Harvard says that the public school-boy has the advantage in efficiency over the boy from the private school. For the past year President Elliott has been studying comparative statistics of the two types of entrants to Harvard, and his conclusions, based on observations of 700 students, are: "Both in entrance examinations and in honors won in college the public school-boy outstrips the boy who has had a private tutor, or has gone to a select school. The public school boys are not only more vigorous and determined to gain knowledge, but they are also much more conscientious, a point which has often been denied."

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There is such a thing as some members becoming picayunish in judging new students. The hasty word of some silly girl, or a hat that was in style at home but not in the college town, or an embarrassing backwardness that will soon wear off, or some other trivial defect will prevent the new man from receiving his due degree of respect. If new students were already polished diamonds there would be no need for them to enter college. Look beneath the surface! If strength of character can be seen, an earnest effort is put forth for downright hard work, high ideals of thought and action are aimed at, then overlook mere external crudities. Externals change, but character remains. If you can not fraternize with, if you can not learn to love a man who does not wear patent leather shoes or dress or talk just as you do, even though his mind is pure, his heart loving, his brain active, then you had better retire to your room, do some real hard thinking for the next half hour and come out of there a bigger man than when you entered.—*The Delta of Σ N.*

New York University has set apart a site for a Hall of Fame for Women adjoining the present Hall of Fame. The building will consist of a museum on the ground floor, with a main story above of twenty-eight columns supporting a pedimented roof. Places will be provided for fifty tablets for American women of native birth and ten for American women of foreign birth. In 1905 ten native and two foreign born American women will be selected, and in each succeeding quinquennial year two native born American women and in each decennial year beginning with 1910 one foreign born woman will be added. Until the building is completed tablets will be placed upon the walls of the Museum of the Hall of Fame. Visitors at the St. Louis Exposition will be invited to nominate persons for the Hall of Fame, names to be inscribed in 1905.

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Reviewing "The Torch," a novel by Herbert M. Hopkins, recently published by The Bobbs-Merrill Company, Indianapolis, the New York *Evening Post* says:

The aim of this story is to show into what a mire a university may fall whose president places self-esteem ahead of sound learning. The writer speaks whereof he knows. Before being called to Trinity College he was a teacher in the University of California, and her nearby rival, Leland Stanford, and his novel must be recognized as a fairly faithful (if somewhat exaggerated) reproduction of the atmosphere and surroundings of a large western university.

The story gives us a professor dismissed for two free an expression of his socialistic learnings, just as Professor Ross was forced to resign from Leland Stanford some years ago on account of utterances offensive to President Jordan and, presumably, to Mrs. Stanford. Yet the author did not intend to identify Stanford University with his story; he says that he took his idea, but no more, from the Ross incident; and to make out in the false-hearted Babington, and the rich Mrs. Tupper portraits of President Jordan and Mrs. Stanford would be worse than caricature. The story is briefly this:

A new president takes hold at the university at Argos. He is ambitious, money-worshipping, and snobbish, antagonizing his faculty and undertaking to convert the institution into one of the sort whose new buildings (to borrow a figure from the book) become the mausoleums of their earlier and sturdier ideals. The rising indignation of the faculty against the new order of things is well indicated. Their protest finds a practical application when the professor of political economy is dismissed for taking the side of the working-man in politics and a dozen others hand in their resignations. The dismissed professor sticks to his ideals and is elected governor of the state, and through his position as *de facto* head of the university has his enemy deposed.

THE SCROLL.

We should begin to consider plans for teaching chapters to act more aggressively in the matter of educating, training and perfecting the particular talents of each of their several members. In other words, when a chapter takes a man into its membership, it ought to begin at once to try to make the very best of him that there is in him; it ought to try to develop his very best faculties, so that when it has finished with the raw material which it received during the days when he was a freshman it may turn away from its doors a finished product in the shape of a man who will always be a great credit to it, and who should, by reason of what it has done for him, always feel under such great obligations to it that he will never fail to be an enthusiastic member of the fraternity.—*Delta of Σ N.*



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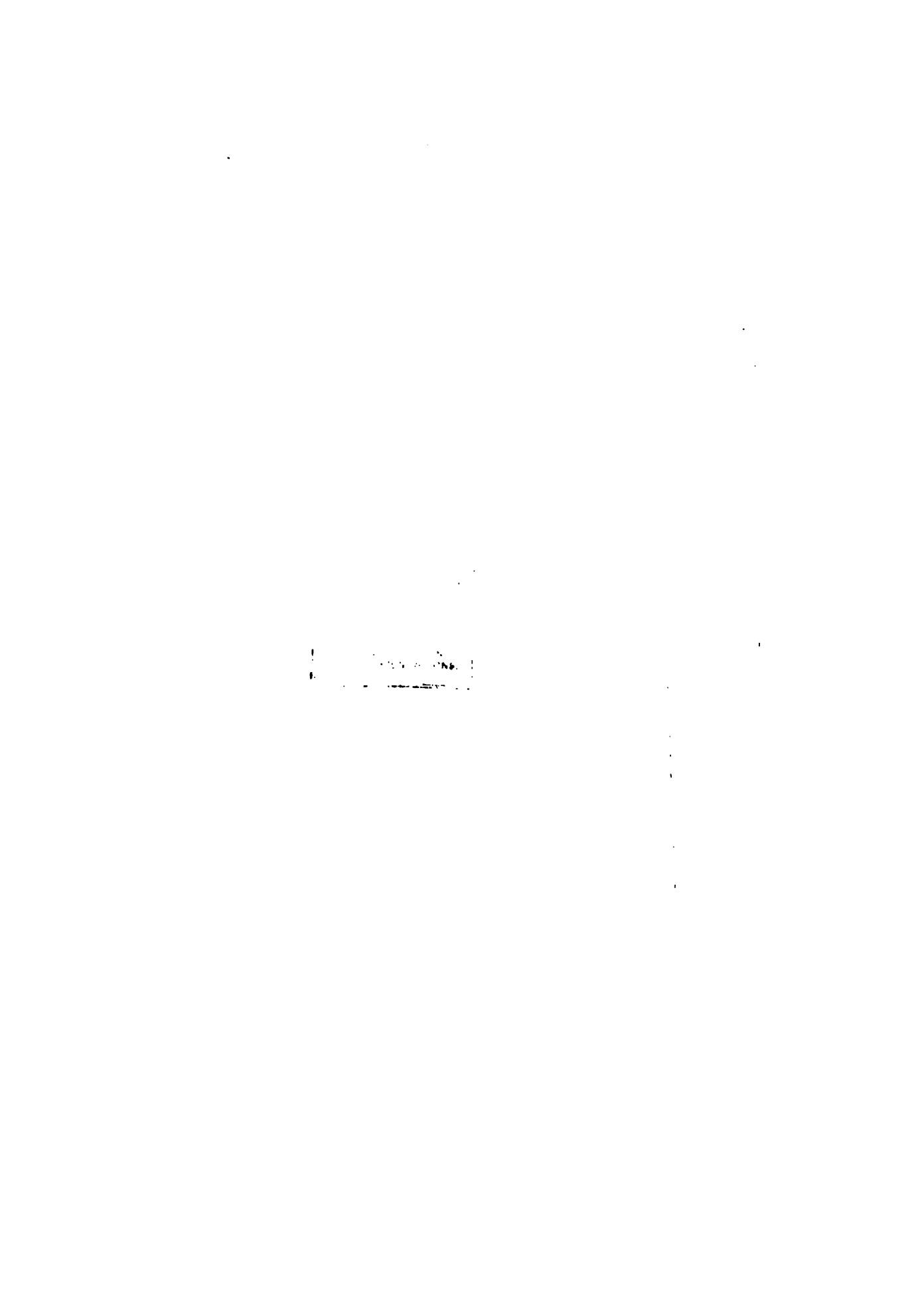
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IOWA BETA AND HER NEW HOME.

In the parlors of the old Palace Hotel on February 3, 1882, ten young men met to organize the Iowa Beta chapter of Phi Delta Theta. Brother Cowles, of Iowa Alpha, presided and at this meeting, Messrs. W. L. Clark, W. George, C. L. Gillis, W. S. Hosford, P. I. Sever, C. H. Dayton, and J. B. French were duly initiated charter members. Brothers Kennedy and Cole were affiliated at this time and the first officers of Iowa Beta were: President, Chas. H. Dayton; secretary, C. L. Gillis; treasurer, W. I. Park; warden, Wm. George; reporter, J. B. French; historian, J. L. Kennedy and chaplain J. L. Kennedy. For some time the meetings were held each Saturday evening at the home of Brother Gillis, but on September 23, 1882, halls were procured where meetings were held until December, 1899, when Iowa Beta moved into her first chapter house on College street. From this time on Iowa Beta has steadily increased in numbers and influence until now she is one of the strongest chapters of this province. In the fall of 1901 we moved to a better house and had a prosperous year until we were forced to seek other quarters and efforts were made to establish a building fund by the note system. This plan fell through when some of the members refused to sign the notes, and in the fall of 1902 we again moved to a rented house. In June, 1903, we secured a house and made contracts for its remodeling to suit our convenience and made a lease for three years with the privilege of purchase at the expiration of the lease. This house is but three squares from the main campus and two from the medical buildings and hospitals.

We are now situated at 227 North Dubuque street in a frame structure of two stories and a basement. A large porch extends along the east side, supported by stone pillars, and the house is all painted pure white. The main entrance is from the east and as you enter a large hall the parlors are

to the north and the smoking and music rooms to the south, while to the south of the smoking room our matron has two prettily furnished rooms for herself and one for the cook and waitress. In the basement is the dining room which has a seating capacity of thirty people and is appropriately furnished with quartered oak table, chairs and sideboard. Adjoining the dining room on the south is a spacious kitchen furnished with everything necessary to a first class culinary department. The rest of the basement on the south is a large store room and vegetable cellar, while on the north is the furnace room equipped with a new steam heating plant of the latest and most approved design. The smoking and music rooms are very substantially furnished in weathered oak with cozy corners and settees, while each of the parlors has a davenport and ten rockers of various designs. The floors are all covered with brussels rugs. On the second floor are ten well lighted and ventilated bed rooms as well as a room for the waiter and fireman. These rooms are furnished according to the taste of the occupants and as a whole are very pleasant.

The floors throughout are of hard wood and covered with rugs and the four rooms on the first floor are so arranged that we can throw them all together and twenty couples can be comfortably accommodated at dancing. During the past year two of our charter members called upon us, Brother George, of Aurora, Ill., who is one of the leading bankers of that city, and Brother Sever, of Stuart, Iowa. Brother Sever, who is one of the leading lawyers of his city, entertained us with many narratives of the younger days of Iowa Beta and the University of Iowa.

Though somewhat in debt, Iowa Beta is gaining financially and now owns the furniture and draperies in the chapter house. We are making an effort to get out of debt and have sent out letters to our loyal alumni, asking them to help us pay for our new furniture and thus help us get in shape to buy our house. Some have responded liberally and others will undoubtedly help us out. Our matron, Mrs. S. D. Byers, is not only a lady of the highest integrity and ability, but she is a leader in society and has a large circle of friends in Iowa City. Mrs. Byers has been with us since 1899 and our success is due to a great degree to her able management.

THE UNIVERSITY.

Many changes have been made in the university in the last few years and "Iowa" has steadily progressed from a new

and weak institution to one of the strongest universities in the middle west. The first and most noticeable structure on the main campus is the "Old Capitol," which stands in the center and at one time was the home of the executive body of Iowa. It is a three story building of sandstone, and, although the corners have crumbled away and the stairs are rickety, it is thought much of by the students and is occupied by the law department. On the south of this historic structure are the engineering building and the new "Hall of Liberal Arts." This building is a new \$400,000 structure of gray stone, is four stories high, fire proof and modern in every detail.

North of the Old Capitol is the Science Hall and directly north of this is the Dental Building which is one of the finest equipped colleges of dental surgery west of New York. The new medical buildings, which have just been completed at a cost of \$225,000, are of the most modern designs. They are situated one square east of the main campus, and directly east of these are the two hospitals and the Pharmacy Department and the College of Homeopathic Medicine. Several heads of departments are Phis, some of whom have achieved considerable fame and are known throughout the state as able teachers and authors. Perhaps the most famous of these is Dr. Samuel Calvin, who for several years has been State Geologist and is the author of several text books and treatises on geology and mineralogy. Dean L. G. Weld is at the head of the graduate college, and is one of Iowa Beta's early members. Brother A. G. Smith is at the head of the department of mathematics. Bro. McGowan is a professor in the department of engineering, Bro. Stewart has the chair of Philosophy and Bro. W. S. Hosford, one of our charter members, is dean of the College of Dental Surgery. All these loyal and able brothers have helped us much and we are under obligations to them for the loyal manner in which they have upheld Phi Delta Theta and for the aid they have given us.

CHARLES E. LOIZEAUX.

STUDENT LIFE AND COLLEGE FRATERNITIES.

Student Life and Customs, by Henry D. Sheldon, Ph. D. New York: D. Appleton and Company. 1901. Cloth; pp. 366, 800.

This book is unique. It is the most comprehensive treatise on the customs of college students that has ever appeared in America; and it contains more information about Greek letter

societies in general than any book ever published except "American College Fraternities" and "The Cyclopædia of Fraternities." The author has been industrious in the collection of material from scattered sources, and has brought together a fund of facts and incidents that is most interesting to college men, whether under-graduates or alumni.

The book opens with a chapter on "Student Life in Europe"—German universities, English universities and Scottish universities. The account of student life at Oxford and Cambridge says:

"The early years of the nineteenth century witnessed a complete change in the attitude of the English student toward athletics. It is no longer the occasional student who rows or plays football or cricket when fancy dictates; now almost every undergraduate as a matter of course follows some sport. Athletics are not only the most picturesque feature of Oxford and Cambridge life, but also form the chief ties which bring men together. Chronologically, boating was developed first, followed by cricket, football, track and field athletics.

The college serves as a unit of university organization; each college has its own set of clubs, athletic, debating, literary, and social. Of these, the athletic is the most important to the average undergraduate. The existence of separate colleges within the university greatly simplifies the problem of organization. Mention has already been made of the full set of athletic clubs maintained by each college. The athletic interests of the entire university are provided for by a number of general clubs, one for each branch of sport. The interference of academic authorities in the attempt to check abuses is unheard of, chiefly because the athletic traditions among the undergraduates is sufficiently strong to preserve a healthy athletic spirit. The greater maturity of the average English collegian is another factor which makes for clean sport.

While the percentage of undergraduates actively participating in athletics is much greater than in America, the contests lack the fierceness of energy and sense of tension which accompany similar trials of skill across the Atlantic. The English seem to play more for the love of sport and less from a desire to beat somebody than their American cousins. Controversies over details of matches and recriminations back and forth seldom occur. The athletic class is more highly differentiated from the mass of the students than in the United States, but there is an absence of professionalism in the worst sense of the term—e. g., outsiders are not hired to attend college for the only purpose of participating in athletics.

We have yet to speak of a number of miscellaneous organizations of minor significance, the most notable of which are the university social clubs, patterned after the ordinary club of London. The clubs of Oxford are the Bullingdon, Vincents, and Gridiron. Of these, the Bullingdon is the most exclusive, and was formerly the most popular, although in late years it has abdicated the leadership in favour of Vincents. Membership in Vincents is coveted by all the undergraduates who regard social success as an important part of their academic career. Its membership is largely made up of successful athletes, although it usually secures the most popular men from all the colleges regardless of muscle. Still, in some quarters, Vincents is regarded as an athletic clique. It plays an important part in the social life of Oxford, forming a centre where men from the different colleges can meet

and entertain their friends with less formality than would be required in their colleges. The Gridiron, comparatively a new club, is a protest against the athleticism of Vincents. It has been a moderate success, without threatening the position held by its rival.

The more important public schools are represented by clubs of graduates at the universities. The Eton Club of Oxford is a typical organization of this class. All the Etonians at Oxford belong to the club, although there is little sociability or good fellowship in its rooms. Starched sobriety is usually in order, but the latent social force occasionally breaks through the crust and a revival of interest takes place. The Winchester Club is much smaller, because only a portion of the Wykemists join it. Its small membership, however, makes it a social body of influence."

Except the first chapter, the book is devoted to American colleges. The author mentions that previous to the middle of the eighteenth century there were only three colleges in America—William and Mary, Harvard, and Yale; and previous to the Revolution there were only nine—these three and Dartmouth, Brown, Kings (now Columbia), Rutgers, Princeton and Pennsylvania. In a chapter on "Student Life in Colonial Colleges," he says:

Our first glimpses into the social life of the students discover a dreary round of fast days, early chapels, severe punishments, and bad board; the students seem to be mere boys and are treated as such. As the eighteenth century advances the signs of restlessness begin to make their appearance, and gradually a change in morals and manners takes place. Profane cursing and swearing, the frequenting of taverns and alehouses, the custom of keeping wine, beer, and distilled liquors in college rooms, all increased, to the sorrow of the governing authorities. Tutors were insulted and unlawful combinations against the college government were frequent. Laws were made, penalties inflicted, and remonstrances repeated without eradicating these evils or even materially diminishing them. . . .

Rules dealing with every possible variation of conduct were drawn up, with lists of fines attached. The Harvard laws enumerated eighty-three separate offences. Most amusements were forbidden. The students could not hunt or go sailing without permission, at New Haven. Theatrical performances, billiards, cards, and dice were on the black list. A student might not lie down on his own bed in daytime nor spend his own money without first securing the consent of the authorities. He was strictly prohibited from leaving his own room except at certain specified hours. . . .

By 1725 at Harvard, and 1745 at Yale, the members of classes were ranked according to the social position of their fathers, a usage which points to the existence of the class as a recognised student institution. Class day was not included in the programme of Commencement week at Harvard until 1760. Previous to this date the seniors met informally and chose one of the members to bid farewell to the college and faculty in a valedictory address. The early class-day programmes consisted of a "Latin oration sandwiched in between two prayers." The list of class orators did not begin until 1776, the poets not until 1786. . . .

The so-called "Freshman Laws" were another strong force in producing class feeling. By this unique code the first-year students were consigned to a form of servitude similar to the fagging of the English public schools. The sophomores tutored the freshmen and instructed them in the manners of

the college. The freshmen were to run errands for all the upper classes, and, in some instances, particular freshmen were assigned to college dignitaries. We find references to president's freshmen and tutor's freshmen. In connection with their employment, a curious hierarchy of privilege developed itself. A tutor could take a freshman from a fellow, a fellow's rights were superior to those of a senior sophister, a senior sophister's to a junior sophister's, and a junior sophister's to a sophomore's. The freshmen had collective duties, one of which was to supply the upper classes with balls and bats on the playing field.

A rigid ceremonial of the Spanish-Bourbon type was instituted. The freshmen must take off their hats on the approach of an instructor or upper classman; they must also pause on the approach of one of their superiors. The laws interdicted all impertinence on the part of the novice. He was not allowed to rap on the doors of the upper classmen or to play with them. He belonged to a separate and inferior caste.

A chapter on "Student Life During the Revolutionary Period," (1775-1840), treats of hazing, cane sprees, town and gown fights, etc. Speaking of such pranks as placing a cow on the top floor of a dormitory, barring out professors from class rooms, or painting the President's house red, white and blue, the author says: "Whether at home or among the northern colleges, the southern students possessed the greatest aptitude for violence, and were the most daring in carrying their plans into execution."

The next chapters of the book, relating to student life in the "Transition Period," (1840-1870), and in the "Modern Period," (1870-1900), include an account of the development of athletics. Handball and cricket were in vogue at Princeton from 1840 to 1865. Boating began at Yale in 1843; the first inter-collegiate boat race with Harvard was in 1852; Harvard sent a crew to England in 1869. The first regular baseball nines in colleges were formed at Princeton in 1858, at Amherst in 1859, at Yale in 1865; the first of the regular Yale-Harvard baseball games was played in 1868. A rough form of football was one of the traditional amusements of college men as far back as pre-Revolutionary times, and it continued at Yale until 1858. Football was revived at Princeton in 1864, at Yale in 1870. Rugby rules were adopted by an inter-collegiate convention in 1876. The author says:

Track and field sports were the last branches of athletics to receive serious attention. As early as 1872 we have records of organized field days. Until recently this department of athletics excited less interest than football, baseball, and boating. Now in many colleges it ranks above baseball, and is looked upon with favour by the authorities because it enlists a much larger number of men in its pursuit than any other sport. In international contests, American athletes have distinguished themselves in this line, whereas they have uniformly failed in boating, the only other form of athletics in which international competition is possible.

The author gives details about early political clubs, military organizations, musical societies, scientific clubs and religious societies in American colleges. The first college branches of the Y. M. C. A. were organized in 1858 at the University of Michigan and the University of Virginia. Concerning the rise of college journalism the author says:

The earliest student papers were either the product of a few private individuals working usually in secret, or were published in the interests of a debating society. One of the regular numbers of the old debating society programme consisted of the reading of a journalistic production, largely humorous and partly critical in character; a custom still continued in many high schools. When the first of these written papers was published it is impossible to say, although we have definite record of such publication in the first decade of the present century. The *Literary Tablet* of Dartmouth appeared in 1803, the *Literary Cabinet* of Yale in 1806; neither of these journals nor their successors for more than twenty years lasted beyond their first few numbers. In a majority of cases both financial support and permanent organization were lacking. At Yale there were seven unsuccessful experiments before the foundation of the first permanent venture, the *Yale Literary Magazine*, in 1837.

The following paragraphs, quoted from various chapters in the book, show how debating societies were supplanted by Greek-letter fraternities:

The earliest society the record of which has been preserved was the Crotontian Society of Yale, which had a brief existence, and made way for Linonia, the oldest permanent society, and the Brothers in Unity (1868). Contemporaneous with Crotontia and Linonia at Yale were the Plain-Dealing and Well-Meaning Clubs at Princeton. A fierce rivalry, involving the interchange of scurrilous pamphlets, led to their suppression by the faculty. A year after this action, were founded the American Whig and Cliosophic Societies, the most venerable and powerful of college debating clubs in America, and the only organizations of this early period which still survive in their original capacity. During the middle decades of the eighteenth century, the Harvard faculty took particular pains to improve the public speaking of the students, a move which led to the formation of speaking clubs. The Calabogus Club was organized as early as 1758, the Whitefield Club in 1759. We are left to conjecture the programmes of these early societies. The Institute of 1770, the most famous of the debating clubs of Harvard, was founded by John Phillips, John Warren and other members of the class of 1771. . . .

It was the wave of political interest produced by the Revolution which made the debating society for fifty years the strongest force in American student life. . . . While secrecy of meetings was a recognized principle with all the early literary societies, this feature was a distinctly minor one. The same may be said of initiation ceremonies; they were merely incidental and without special significance. Many of the societies adopted badges, colors and mottoes. . . . Another form of society activity was the society libraries, which were frequently valuable supplements to the regular college library, which was likely to be weighed down with theological and Latin tomes. . . .

Another important element was the rivalry between the two societies which divided student interest. They competed in the selection of members, in the

size of their libraries and in the distribution of college honors. The feeling was usually one of bitter antagonism and jealousy. Attempts made at Amherst and elsewhere to combine the work of the two societies into one harmonious whole uniformly failed. When only one society had been formed, it invariably split in two rival factions as soon as numbers permitted. The bitterest hostility occurred at the beginning of the year in the struggle for new men. At Yale a systematic campaign was undertaken; runners were sent to the preparatory schools to pledge sub-freshmen; committees of students haunted the trains, the New Haven depot and the hotels, in search of new students. The campaign culminated in the "statement of facts," a public meeting in which the orators from each society extolled the virtues and eulogized the departed heroes of their own organization, while pouring contempt and ridicule on their opponents. At Amherst on such occasions the whole college became the scene of exasperating strife; study was encroached upon, and personal hostilities were excited which did not die away with the occasion. The historians of Williams, Dartmouth and Bowdoin give similar testimony. In some colleges the faculty interfered, and apportioned new men to the societies by some impartial method of allotment. Even this could not put a stop to intrigue and factional fights.

The early debating society was one of the great interests of the student world; its meetings were eagerly anticipated, and its exercises considered to be of much greater importance than the regular recitations of the college, a belief strengthened by the sympathetic attitude of the faculty. We have the testimony of a hostile critic that the champions of the debating hall were held in greater esteem by their fellow students than the men who gained the traditional college honors for proficiency in their studies. The athlete had not yet arisen as a college hero, so the orator and writer represented the ideals of the academic youth.

Such a condition of affairs was not destined to endure. A new organization, appealing more directly to the interests and sentiments of youth, entered the field, and the debating society lost ground before it. The fraternity struck the older association at its weakest point. About 1830 the debating societies, through increase of numbers, began to be unwieldy, and in consequence a victim to factional contests. In some colleges cliques for controlling elections in the literary societies had crystallized into formal clubs before the appearance of the fraternities. The fraternity greatly hastened this tendency to dissolution; the debating society became the arena in which rival fraternities or secret and non-secret societies fought for the supremacy. The literary exercises were neglected while rival factions struggled for the offices. The new organization became the centre of interest while the old societies died slowly. The process did not take place in all the colleges at the same time. The conflict in the eastern colleges began as early as 1840, and by 1870 the old societies had become merely a tradition.

An account is given of the earliest Greek letter society, Φ B K, which was founded at William and Mary in 1776, and which abandoned its secret features in 1831. The author notes that K A, founded at Union in 1825, "was in its external features an imitation of the Φ B K."

The opposition of college faculties to secret societies is mentioned, and details are given regarding struggles between fraternity men and the authorities at Purdue, California and Vanderbilt, resulting in victories for the Greeks. The an-

tagonism between Greeks and barbarians is noticed, and the author says: "In general, the fraternities dominate the smaller colleges, particularly those of New England and the Middle States, although an occasional revolt on the part of the non-fraternity men sometimes occurs. The 'barbarians' are strongest at the large colleges, particularly the state universities of the West, which have always been the seat of a strong anti-fraternity feeling." The author continues:

During the last thirty years the fraternities have entered upon a new stage of their development; with the storm and stress period of their history behind them, they have been free to perfect the details of their system and to expand. As early as 1871 a movement toward the centralization of the various societies was inaugurated. The old system of control by central or parent chapters when the convention was not in session gave way to central governing boards, usually known as executive councils, composed of alumni, which performed functions similar to those delegated to the boards of trustees in American colleges. In this body is vested the ownership of the fraternity property. The determination of fraternity policy remained to conventions of delegates consisting largely of undergraduates. Many of the fraternities have divided the college territory of the country into provinces, and shown great insight and judgment in the location of chapters. It has been claimed that the action of the larger societies in issuing and withdrawing charters may be taken as an almost sure index of the future of the college.*

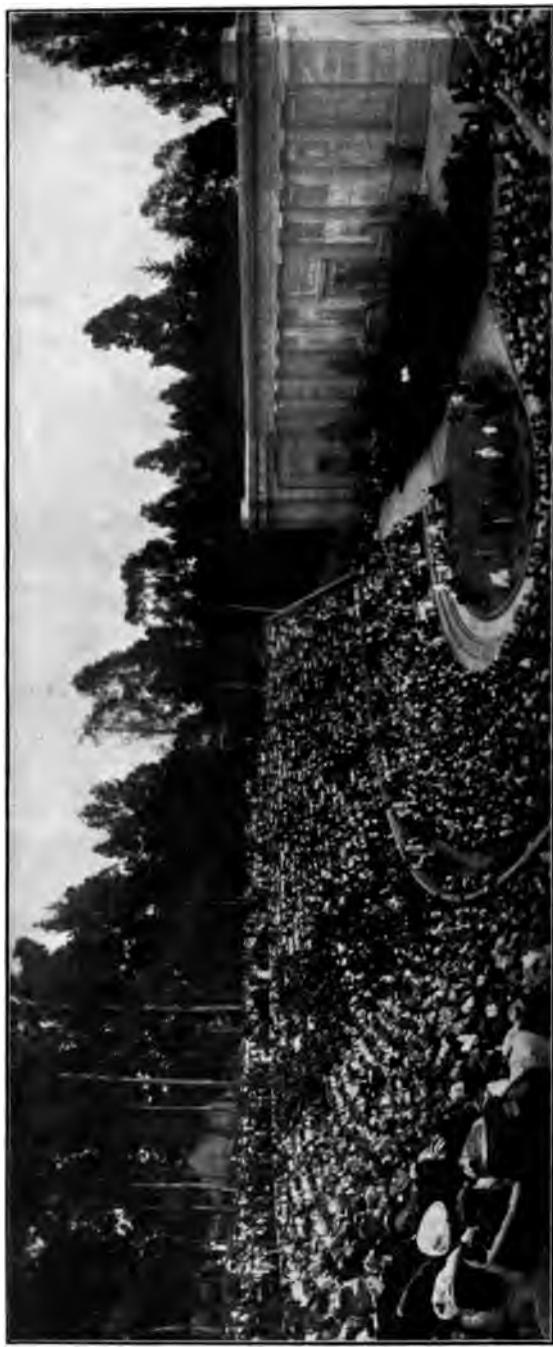
In recent years the influence of the alumni has increased greatly, and many of the societies have endeavoured to still further augment this influence by establishing alumni chapters and fraternity clubs. In a few instances the alumni chapters are regularly organized, hold sessions, and send delegates to conventions, but in a majority of cases they are chapters only in name. Fraternity clubs are a more natural expression of interest. Several fraternity clubs have been founded in New York, San Francisco, and elsewhere. Two or three societies have established summer camps in the woods for the recreation of their members.

The chapters at the stronger fraternity centres are coming to partake more and more of the character of social clubs. The progress of the club idea may be traced in the architecture of the fraternity houses. The earlier structures were built as lodge rooms or temples for general meeting places only, while the more recent buildings are complete club houses, containing public rooms, lodge rooms, and sleeping apartments. Many of the modern fraternity houses are ornate and expensive structures, of which their members are justly proud. . . .

The American† fraternity system has attained to a strength and stability which have rarely characterized student associations. The general fraternities alone (men's) have a membership of one hundred and thirty thousand members. No statistics have been gathered in regard to their property, but a rough estimate places its valuation in the neighbourhood of five million dollars. The prominent fraternities issue an entire series of publications, including extensive catalogues and expensive quarterly magazines, and hold conventions, with hundreds of delegates from all sections of the Union.

*See *The Independent*, August 3, 1899, an article by W. A. Curtis, "The Decline of the Denominational College."

†The term American here must not be limited to the United States, as important chapters have been organized in the Canadian universities.



THE GREEK THEATRE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Courtesy of the *Kappa Alpha Theta*.

In a majority of the colleges of the country the fraternities aim to select the ablest, most socially gifted, and wealthiest men. Of their social pre-eminence there can be no question; in all the colleges from which we have received returns the fraternity members are the society leaders. From the list of alumni published, it would seem that a majority of the graduates of American colleges in the last forty years who have become famous were in their student days members of fraternities.

The author notes the wide extension of fraternities in recent years. In this movement "sectional lines are rapidly becoming obliterated," and "all the general fraternities are becoming more national." The book has a good index and the best bibliography of literature relating to student life and college fraternities that has ever been published.

THE GREEK THEATRE AT BERKELEY.

To every loyal Californian, May 14, 1903, was a high feast day. It was commencement day, and to all the pleasures of graduation were added yet these—the commencement address by the President of the United States, and the use for the first time of the new Greek theatre. As we walked up the hillside on that great day we were looking for wonderful things, but the realization far exceeded our expectation. And this is what we saw: White in the sunshine was a faithful reproduction of the theatres which rose in fair Hellas in the olden days; not a slavish model, but a reproduction which embodies the best of the spirit of Greek architecture combined with the best of our western spirit.

Fourteen columns supporting the walls of the stage are pure Doric, but the garlands that crown the walls are designed in the California bay, and on this commencement day, from every pole, bright against the sky, floated the colors of our university. The theatre, divided into two parts, the auditorium and stage, was a mass of color. Such a typical, Californian assembly! The light summer dresses of those in the auditorium were set off by the dark robes of the regents, of the members of the faculty, and the caps and gowns of the graduates, who had seats upon the stage. But most typical of all was the dark fringe of green eucalyptus, bringing out the circle of the theatre, and above all the bluest of skies. As we waited for the President, we were all impressed and made quiet by the wonder of it—the old and the new. And when the bugle announced the coming of the President of the United States, that great gathering of eight thousand arose, as he stepped upon the stage; love for college and love for



STATUE OF "THE FOOTBALL PLAYER," UNDER "THE BERKELEY OAKS"—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.
Courtesy of the $\Delta \Delta$ Fraternity.

country combined and swept over us with a rush of emotion that made us forget time and space, and we thought only of those things which are abiding and eternal.

This Greek theatre, which was the gift of William Randolph Hearst, was formally dedicated in September, with addresses by President Wheeler; Mr. Weed, '94, who discovered the situation; Mr. Howard, the architect, and Mr. Hearst. These exercises were followed by a dramatic festival which continued through the week. Scenes from Aristophanes' "Birds" were acted by students in the original Greek; "Twelfth Night" was presented by Charles Frohman's "Every Man" company, and Racine's "Phedre" was given in French by the students.

In fair weather the theatre is used for the bi-monthly university meetings, at which the entire college comes together as a great family, and President Wheeler always brings a prominent speaker to give us good advice. Perhaps the most spectacular view of the theatre is at a football rally. A great bonfire blazes in the level where of old the Greek chorus did its work; a black sky shuts off all save the whiteness of the concrete; the hoarse voices of the very American orators ring out, only to be drowned out by the thundering of the college yells. It might well cause our classic ancestors to shudder in their tombs!

The influence of this building, with all it stands for of the really True and Beautiful, is already felt. The whole tone of college theatricals is becoming more dignified, more in sympathy with academic ideals. The farces of the different classes will soon be past history, and instead there will be reproduced the best plays, and so our histrionic culture will be finer, truer and more dignified.

"OMEGA" in the *Kappa Alpha Theta* for March.

OLD FRATERNITY RECORDS.

Continued from The Scroll, June, 1903.

As to the early history of Georgia Gamma, I have it in my journals somewhere, but am not able now to find it. The founder of that chapter was my brother, Clinton R. Gaskill; he did all the corresponding with it in its infancy. T. A. Means was the first man to whom Clinton was appointed to write, and he selected the men who did the great work of starting the Gamma at Emory.—C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., to W. B. Palmer, Dalton, Ga., July 6, 1877.

Our chapter is in a flourishing condition. We occupy a comfortable suite of rooms in the heart of the city.—C. B. Wright, Buchtel College, to $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ at Emory College, July 18, 1877.

I am sorry to have to report the death of the Nebraska Alpha. Bro. G. M. Lambertson, a member of the Indiana Delta, and former resident of Franklin, now a lawyer in Lincoln, Neb., was the founder of the chapter. He was visiting his parents in Franklin a week or so ago, and told me that the Nebraska Alpha died because of a lack of interest on the part of the members. There were no other fraternities there and it was a new thing. He says that whenever it becomes necessary he can easily re-establish it. I am sorry you have not had better success at Johns Hopkins. Hurrah for the Virginia Epsilon that is to be. Affairs in Illinois remain *in statu quo*. Wakefield has a decided tendency toward $\Delta T \Delta$, but if the $\Phi\Sigma$ chapter goes into $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, he will go in too, and thus insure two new Illinois chapters for $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. The Indiana Delta had their photographs taken in a group, both large size and the common card size. They will begin next fall with all the old members excepting the two who graduated; two of the '76 "subs" will come in, and two good new men who have been pledged; this will give them thirteen to start on. I have received a letter from Bro. Ranchfuss of Michigan Beta. He reports things flourishing there; but I think that the Michigan Beta might extend the circle of its usefulness somewhat. I think next fall will see a grand awakening of Phi spirit all over Indiana, at least I sincerely hope so. It was shameful the way they let the Indiana Zeta die, but it can't be helped now. What is the "calibre" of such fraternities as the K Σ ? The South seems to be full of fraternities that appear to have only one or two chapters. In a former letter you asked me if I had not once belonged to another fraternity. Yes, I was once a $\Phi I \Sigma$. Of those who were in the chapter at the time of its collapse, two are now $\Phi\Delta\Theta$'s, one a $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$, one a $Z\Psi$, and three barbarians. It was a local affair. The $\Phi A A$ was the latest fraternity to go up at Franklin; there were only two members left in it; and both put on the sword and shield of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. One of them, Bro. J. R. Edwards, is the man who won such fame for $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ by taking the prize at the state oratorical contest.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to W. B. Palmer, Dalton, Ga., July 22, 1877.

We now number twenty-one with a good prospect of getting two or three more. We had a jolly time at our meeting last

Saturday. The reason was this: Bro. Bixby, '76, now of Wilkes Barre, had sent us a fine cabinet organ for our room. As only three of us had a hand in taking it up to the room, it was a complete surprise to all the other boys. Charlie Bixby has done a great deal for our chapter by aiding us financially and otherwise. We have just heard from the National Grand Chapter. It numbers twelve members and is doing well.—W. B. Sullivan, Lafayette College, to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 5, 1877.

I expected to have written to you long before this, but I wanted to send you the constitution as I have revised it, and I have just completed it. I have expended a great deal of care upon it. I think the articles are properly arranged. A section might be introduced giving the date of the origin of the fraternity, and stating that each chapter should observe it; also a section that when a chapter becomes dissolved its effects shall be sent to the State Grand Chapter, or in case of an Alpha chapter, to the National Grand. I think also we ought to have a diploma of membership written in Greek, but I am not enough of a linguist to write it. Examine this constitution closely and write me of any improvements; I want a constitution that will suit the whole fraternity.—W. B. Palmer, San Pedro, Cal., to A. G. Foster, Bloomington, Ind., Oct. 15, 1877.

For some time I have been engaged in revising our constitution, and I have just finished the work. The present constitution has many imperfections, and hence my desire for something better. I have been studying the subject for more than a year, and I have put a great deal of care on my revision. I shall submit it to the next convention, and I think it will be adopted in part at least. The ritualistic portion has been entirely revised and I think greatly improved. Bro. Banta wrote me recently that the catalogue had been put in the hands of the printers.—W. B. Palmer, San Pedro, Cal., to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 16, 1877.

You ask for instructions. I send you a copy of the last convention proceedings. You will see in that (page 5) the action taken creating an executive board, which is elected as an advisory board to the President, the members in fact to be his cabinet. That committee consists of C. D. Whitehead, Grand Bunker; E. M. Beardsley, National Grand Chapter, and myself as the Secretary. As yet we have done very little. We wish to issue an address to the Fraternity at large very

soon. The Grand Banker desires to issue some financial intelligence, and it will be a good way to give some words of advice and cheer, also to notify the Fraternity of our late successes in the South. You will please embody such things as you desire in an address and send it to me. We will add such things as we wish in regard to the finances, SCROLL and catalogue, and will have it printed and sent out at once. I send a copy of the last address issued, so you will have an idea of what we want.—J. C. Norris, Indianapolis, Ind., to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Oct. 27, 1877.

As matters now are, next June will see $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ entirely dead in Illinois. The Illinois Phis are discouraged, and I think it will be entirely useless to look to them for aid in perpetuating the order in that state. Something must be done, and done quickly too. Now, if my plans come out well, and are sustained by the Fraternity, I think that I can save the Illinois Delta, and found the Illinois Epsilon. And if we can get Edwards and Clem Hall at Chicago to do anything, we might restore the Illinois Beta; that, however, does not actively enter into my present plans. Now for what I have done. Last spring A. W. Little of the Illinois Delta sent me the name of James A. Wakefield of Bloomington, Ill. I wrote to Wakefield and he answered me. He told me that he was a $\Phi\Sigma$ and belonged to the chapter at Lombard University, at Galesburg, Ill.; that the $\Phi\Sigma$ chapter at Lombard had before that time desired to take a $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ charter; that he would join $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ if the whole $\Phi\Sigma$ chapter would, and that he would immediately write to them about it. He further stated that the $\Phi\Sigma$ was local and owned a good hall and was well fixed. I corresponded with him all summer, and he at all times seemed to be willing to enter $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ if the rest of his brothers would. Last Monday I received from the Secretary of the $\Phi\Sigma$ s at Galesburg, Mr. S. C. Ransom, a letter formally asking me a number of questions about $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, all of which I have answered according to strict truth. I have yet to hear from them in answer but suppose that I will before Wednesday. The $\Phi\Sigma$ s are now twelve in number. There is no faculty opposition whatever at Lombard, and only one opposing fraternity, the $\Delta T \Delta$. My scheme is this: If the $\Phi\Sigma$ s come into $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ I propose that the Illinois Delta at Knox College be merged into the Lombard chapter. Let the Lombard men hold the charter of the present Knox chapter and work as the Illinois Delta. This will necessitate the granting of the Illinois Delta charter anew. Then let the

Lombard fellows take in good men from Knox and run a double chapter. My reason for the Lombard boys holding the charter, instead of the Knox boys, is that Lombard University is not anti-Greek, while Knox is. Consequently the Lombard fellows can work openly, the Knox men cannot. It will be worse than useless to ask the Lombard fellows to go as a branch of the Knox chapter; if they enter $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, they are entitled to an organization of their own. If we get the $\Phi\Sigma$ chapter at Lombard, Wakefield will go to work at Bloomington, and I think he can organize a chapter without much difficulty. There are only two fraternities there— $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$ and $\Delta T\Delta$, and neither is working much, he tells me. I have investigated the whole matter, and am fully convinced that $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ will make by the plan. And I believe that I am nearly the only Indiana Phi that has made any attempt to uphold the falling structure of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ ism in Illinois.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to A. G. Foster, Indiana University, Nov. 4, 1877.

At present the Φ 's are as prosperous perhaps as they have ever been here. We have about twelve members, and four or five young men of fine talents are to join us next commencement if we can honorably accept them under the pledge of the university, which pledge I think we can avoid. We will get both the anniversarians this year; I having been elected by the Demosthenian Society last Saturday, and Bro. Russell will be elected by the Phi Kappa Society tomorrow. Our prospects are very good for the medals and the spring and champion debates. There is but one way to avoid the university pledge, which I shall not discuss at this time, and as soon as the trustees see that defect and amend the law, we cannot survive longer. And they probably will see it, for one or two of the professors are very anxious to put down secret organizations. If they do find out the trick and continue to oppress us, we shall die very naturally in about three years when the present sophomores graduate.—P. W. Davis, University of Georgia, to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Nov. 16, 1877.

Bro. Dick Jackson, an old Indiana Delta man, is in the Virginia Beta, and he reports things rushing. Only two of their old members were back this year, but Bro. Bristow, of Kentucky Gamma (son of ex-Secretary Bristow, in Grant's cabinet) came in and they went to work; at present they have six men initiated, one pledged, and two almost certain. Since

I last wrote to you, I have accomplished good work in Illinois. My man at Bloomington, Ill., has signed the pledge, and I have sent the Bond to him and two others. The $\Phi\Sigma$ chapter at Lombard University, at Galesburg, has signed the pledge, and I sent them the Bond yesterday. I won't crow yet awhile, but I think that I will come out all right. Hobbs' Alabama Beta has not been chartered yet. The National Grand sent the Alabama Alpha charter to me Monday, and I immediately forwarded it to Hobbs. Bro. M. W. Gray of Michigan Beta sends a lot of new names for the catalogue, and says that the Michigan Beta is in better condition than it ever was before. The Indiana Delta has two or three good men on the string. The Indiana Alpha has taken in six or seven men this fall. I have found some queer facts concerning the Tennessee Beta. Lytton Taylor never initiated a single man there. He held the charter himself, and, when he went out of college, he took it with him, and now, from what I can find out, he virtually refuses to deliver it up to the six Phis at Vanderbilt. I think that all the other fraternities at Monmouth and Knox are dead too. At Bloomington, Ill., there are the $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$ and $\Delta T\Delta$. At Lombard there are only the $\Delta T\Delta$ and $\Phi\Sigma$, the latter being the future $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ s. Why does not some one start a chapter at Westminster College, Fulton, Mo.; it is a splendid college; don't know whether there are any fraternities there or not.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to W. B. Palmer, San Pedro, Cal., Nov. 21, 1877.

Does the Illinois Gamma at Monmouth still exist as a chartered chapter? If so, is it not the Illinois Grand Chapter? Can you give me the name of any of its active members? The Illinois Wesleyan men will be ready for a charter in two weeks I think and I want to know where to send the application. We must encourage this new chapter. It is a good college, and there is no faculty opposition and not more fraternity opposition than needed to keep the members spurred up. The catalogue for 1876-77, published in December, 1876, shows 13 professors, 2 instructors and 1 tutor in arts, and 6 professors of law. There were 13 in the class of '76, 6 in '77, 17 in '78, 24 in '79, 33 in '80, 252 preps and 23 in law; total students 410. At the close of last year $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$ had 17 and $\Delta T\Delta$ 5. Wakefield says he will have no trouble whatever in getting men. With Wakefield once initiated (he is partly initiated now) we will get the whole $\Phi\Sigma$ chapter at Lombard, I think. Jim Mattheus has written to Hall and Edwards at

Chicago; don't know whether he has heard from them or not. If the executive committee will sustain me we will have Illinois all right yet, I hope. Have you spoken to Jim Norris about it? And if so, what does he say? The catalogue manuscript sent by father came all right and I took it up to Indianapolis the following Saturday. Although Whitehead had written me to be sure to come up to Indianapolis to see him, as soon as I possibly could, I failed to see him, he having gone to Connorsville. I, however, went to the printers, Baker, Schmidlap & Co., and told them in future to send all proof direct to me. On Monday Whitehead wrote that Bates said he saw no use of a preface, and that Bates ought to know, as he is a practical printer. Now I am something of a printer too, and I do not agree with Bates, and told him so, but I said I would waive all objections on that score, as 'tis no very important matter. And he further said that he thought it would be best to omit the recapitulation, thus saving \$2 per page, and in about two years get out another catalogue, using this one as a basis to work from. I said that as far as I individually was concerned, I was willing, *provided* that he was certain that another catalogue will be published inside of two years. I got the names of Shirk and Rogers in the catalogue all right. Whom have you initiated since?—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to A. G. Foster, Indiana University, Nov. (day omitted) 1877.

We have fifteen members left (two having offered their resignations which were not accepted and both having been expelled), two juniors, two sophomores, four freshmen, three senior preps and four in the law department. One of our members, Bro. Magruder, was a member at Randolph-Macon. We are getting along first rate, considering that we are a new chapter. I have not heard from Bro. Enochs in about a month.—W. J. Smith, University of Mississippi, to W. B. Palmer, San Pedro, Cal., Nov. 25, 1877.

Yesterday I sent to the National Grand the petition of four men from Illinois Wesleyan University.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to A. G. Foster, Bloomington, Ind., Nov. 29, 1877.

The Pennsylvania Alpha has been a very fine and flourishing chapter since it was organized. I was the first man initiated by the charter members—this was in June, 1873. I hope to be able to do my share towards making the chapter flourish in the future. It has a fine set of members now, and I

believe it has been the largest chapter in the Order for some time.—C. W. Bixby, Wilkes Barre, Pa., to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 1, 1877.

"The chapter of the $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ at Ohio Wesleyan after lingering for four years, has at last succumbed to fate, and today sent in her charter, and will exist no longer as a chapter. This is the second time within four years she has sent in her charter."—News item in *Cincinnati Times*. We have not yet received her charter. From what I can learn the chapter amounts to nothing. It is better to have no chapter than to have a poor one.—H. W. Luccock, University of Wooster, to A. G. Foster, Indiana University, Dec. 3, 1877.

I have heard from about sixteen chapters this fall and all have done well. Illinois is the only place where we have not prospered and I do not know that we have lost any ground there. The Alpha and Beta are dead, and the Gamma about gone up on account of faculty opposition. The faculty at Knox College (Illinois Delta) are also hostile, but the chapter will be saved by giving the charter to a $\Phi\Sigma$ chapter at Lombard University, in the same town, Galesburg, Ill. This is the parent chapter and only surviving chapter of that fraternity and it has accepted the $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ Bond and constitution. At the Virginia Beta only two old members returned this year, including Bro. Richard Jackson, an old Indiana Delta man. But Bro. Bristow of Kentucky Gamma (son of ex-Secretary Bristow) came in, and they went to work. When I last heard, they had initiated six men, and pledged two, with two more almost certain. Virginia Gamma has six members and Virginia Delta eight. A day or two ago I had a letter from Bro. W. J. Smith, of Mississippi Alpha. They have had some trouble. One man resigned and they expelled one, but they are now doing well and have fifteen members. I hear that Iowa Alpha is weak. Bro. Banta writes that three men at Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, have accepted the Bond and Constitution, and they will organize at once.—W. B. Palmer, San Pedro, Cal., to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 8, 1877.

The four men whom I initiated at Bloomington, Ill.—J. A. Wakefield, '78; C. H. Sherwood, '79; C. Elliott and Murray H. Johnson, '82, applied in due form for a charter. Illinois Wesleyan University has 494 students in all departments, and nineteen professors. Judge of my surprise when I received a letter from the National Grand this morning saying that

that body had unanimously vetoed the petition. Jim Norris and Whitehead, of the Executive Committee, voted in favor of it. . . . So I shall not have my $\Phi \Sigma$ chapter at Galesburg petition, for they will only be met with a refusal. . . . Concerning Davidson College, the following extract from a letter from Bro. Jas. L. Williams, of Davidson College, received last Thursday, will explain itself:

As you know, during last term, I had whispered the thing around among some of the boys, and got the promise of their co-operation at the beginning of the term. As soon as possible after I got back, I went to work, intending to organize, when one of the timorous ones, fearing the wrath of the faculty in case of detection, and yet hoping that, by putting on a bold front and asking, their permission could be gained, did ask, without consulting me, and failed "most ignominiously." They (the faculty) admit that it may be for the good both of the college and of the students to have such a society, yet they are bound by the charter of the college, and by the will of Chambers, the largest contributor to the founding of the college, to exclude entirely all such organizations.

Williams still remains a true Phi, and says he will do all that lies in his power to further the cause, but he thinks that this has knocked the whole thing into a cocked hat. The Indiana Zeta is dead; it is a pity too, for Asbury University is the largest college in Indiana. There are no Phis left in the Pennsylvania Delta. I like your plans for amendments, and shall vote for them at the convention. I sent you the alumni constitution two weeks ago. I think that the convention of 1880 ought to be at the University of Virginia; that chapter needs all the encouragement we can give it.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to W. B. Palmer, San Pedro, Cal., Dec. 15, 1877.

This evening I received the constitution signed by the $\Phi \Sigma$ chapter at Lombard University, numbering nine members, and a petition for a charter. Now it would be worse than useless to send this petition in, for it would be refused. As I had two members of the Executive Committee in my favor before I initiated these men, I never dreamed of failure. The responsibility of soothing the ruffled feelings of these thirteen newly fledged Phis (nine at Lombard and four at Illinois Wesleyan) worries me awfully. As I do not know any really good reason why the Bloomington scheme should not be sanctioned, I do not know what to tell them.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to W. B. Palmer, San Pedro, Cal., Dec. 18, 1877.

Winslow, Giles and myself have consulted and decided to organize the Fraternity. Send the documents and we will

try to make it superior to any fraternity in North Carolina.—W. H. Robbins, Trinity College, N. C., to W. B. Palmer, San Pedro, Cal., Dec. 18, 1877.

I have heard from Wakefield. He says a good many new students are in, and he speaks very hopefully. Of course I do not know of any of the Lombard fellows personally, but I have their own and Wakefield's word that they were $\Phi\Sigma$ s. Wakefield said that their hall had cost \$300; they wanted a charter from another fraternity, as their chapter was the only $\Phi\Sigma$ chapter surviving. I suppose it was something like the Y B which used to be at Wabash and Bloomington, Ind. S. C. Ransom, my Lombard correspondent, seems to be an intelligent fellow, judging from his letters. I do not hear often from Virginia Beta; heard once last term; they had seven men and more spiked. I haven't much hope of the Tennessee Beta, albeit it has seven men, for the faculty are strongly against it. The Virginia boys are working earnestly for the Washington and Lee University and the Virginia Military Institute.—George Banta, Edinburgh, Ind., to A. G. Foster, Indiana University, Jan. 9, 1878.

We had a meeting tonight and Mr. Giles and the other boys said for me to go on with the noble work. The names signed to the pledge are those of noble and reliable boys. We would like to have an outfit as soon as possible, as new students are coming in every day. Send a badge and we will send the money for it. Those whose names have cross marks in the catalogue are members of fraternities. There are about 59 new boys whose names are not in the catalogue.—W. H. Robbins, Trinity College, N. C., to W. B. Palmer, San Pedro, Cal., Jan. 9, 1878.

I have received the constitution and we like it very much.—W. H. Robbins, Trinity College, to W. B. Palmer, University of California, Feb. 10, 1878.

Although Illinois Delta is not yet dead we cannot hear from it. I am glad that you have succeeded at Trinity College, North Carolina. Bro. Cone reports that Virginia Epsilon is founded at V. M. I. Bro. J. M. McCoy, Indiana Alpha, '60, at Dallas, Texas, reports two fraternities at Trinity University, Tehuacanna, Texas, and promises to do all he can for $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. I have very little of interest to tell. The death of THE SCROLL has been a serious blow to the free circulation of fraternity news.—George Banta, Black Hawk, Ind., to W. B. Palmer, University of California, Feb. 13, 1878.

The Executive Committee, or a majority of them (Whitehead and Norris), have recognized the chapter at Lombard University, Galesburg, Ill. The members, who formerly belonged to the Alpha chapter of $\Phi\,\Sigma$ at Lombard, have been given the old charter of our defunct Illinois Delta at Knox College, Galesburg, and they are running as the Illinois Delta. The Virginia Epsilon has put in an appearance at Virginia Military Institute. I received the names of the charter members from Bro. Cone of the Virginia Delta, and put them in the catalogue. Bros. Norris and Whitehead informed me Saturday that they expected to appoint me Business Manager of THE SCROLL. I shall go into it with all my soul, and bring it out if it is possible, and nothing is impossible. I have pushed the catalogue through when almost everyone had given it up, and I think that we can get THE SCROLL on a sure foundation now.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., March, 1878.

I was a charter member of the Alabama Alpha, which has been abolished by the faculty. I am glad to report to you the existence and flourishing state of a chapter at Vanderbilt University. I organized it last October through J. C. Smith, also of Alabama Alpha, who is at Vanderbilt this year. There are sixteen members in the chapter now. (Of course it is *sub rosa*. The Virginia Military Institute chapter was put all right about two weeks ago by Charles H. Chalkley of Virginia Delta. At my suggestion he wrote to T. W. Keitt, and succeeded in creating the Virginia Epsilon. I was at V. M. I. three years. Banta reports Lombard College, Illinois, to be safe for a chapter, and Palmer has an application from Trinity College, North Carolina.—T. M. Hobbs, Helena, Ala., to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., March 2, 1878.

I do not think our losses are as great as you fear. True, we have lost some of our best chapters, but excepting New York Alpha and California Alpha those that have died have been wasting for several years, and they are better dead than dying. So far as I know we have now not a single weak chapter, unless it be Alabama Alpha, and that is saying something “tremendous” for the fraternity. The chapters in this state have never been better. As to Greencastle, whenever we need a chapter there, work enough can be applied to start one. We have been unfortunate in the loss of chapters, but not so much that we need feel at all discouraged. I understand Cone has put in a chapter at Virginia Military Institute, and will

put one in at Washington and Lee soon. The catalogue is nearly ready, but I cannot say how soon it will be out. Let me have your constitution as altered before I go to the convention.—A. G. Foster, Indiana University, to W. B. Palmer, University of California, March 10, 1878.

Your revised constitution was received Saturday and your letter today. The constitution I think *very fine*. I am going to Indianapolis some day this week to see Norris, and I want to take it with me for his perusal. I will be glad to present it to the convention. About two weeks ago, Norris told me that I am expected to take the business management of THE SCROLL. I don't know whom in the world I am going to choose as editor, as Norris wanted me to make my own choice. I wish you were further East, and I would determine "mighty sudden." THE SCROLL shall be started again, if such a thing be possible. The Lombard boys have secured the Illinois Delta charter and will send an official delegate, being taxed the same as other chapters, though in the name of Illinois Delta. The Illinois Wesleyan boys number about thirteen, and will send a man to the convention to look after their interests. Virginia Epsilon is chartered and catalogued. I have sent a copy of Indiana Delta's by-laws to Robbins, at Trinity College, North Carolina.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to W. B. Palmer, University of California, March 11, 1878.

Accept my heartfelt thanks for the establishment of North Carolina Alpha at Trinity. Virginia Epsilon is all right and hard at work. Virginia Beta is doing finely and has good prospects. Virginia Gamma's men are mostly seniors, but I think the chapter will come out all right. Our chapter, Virginia Delta, is all straight. Our roll gives the names of twelve Phis at Richmond College, and the number in the city is almost enough to start an alumni chapter. Kentucky Gamma is about gone, no rivalry proving its ruin. L. L. Bristow, now of the University of Virginia, was the mainstay in keeping it up. John Rogers, who is a noble man and a good Phi, is the only Phi now at Georgetown College.—G. W. Cone, Richmond College, to W. B. Palmer, University of California, March 12, 1878.

The charter for Virginia Epsilon has been signed by the State Grand. Received a letter from Keitt the other day; he speaks cheeringly.—T. M. Hobbs, Helena, Ala., to W. B. Palmer, University of California, March 14, 1878.

I have written to Bro. A. M. Shuey, and he answers that he will have the Minnesota Alpha founded as soon as he gets the Bond, etc., from you. Good for you for thus stirring up the alumni. I have also gotten Bro. J. M. McCoy of Dallas, Texas, to work. He wrote to a professor of Trinity College in Texas, who was an old friend of his at Bloomington, Ind. The professor sent him the names of two good men, who belong to no fraternity, and recommended them as good men to start a chapter. I have written to both of the men, and hope to hear from them by the middle of next week. I feel certain of succeeding in that college sooner or later, and intend sticking to it until I do. I heard from Bro. Phil. Holland of Trinity College in North Carolina, acknowledging the receipt of the Indiana Delta by-laws. He seemed sanguine and enthusiastic. He said he would write to Bro. Williams, at Davidson College, and urge him to immediate action. The Tennessee Beta reports ten members. Bro. J. M. Barrs, of that chapter, says that R. H. Hamilton, of the Missouri Beta, at Central College, and now attending the law school of Cumberland University at Lebanon, Tenn., has visited the Tennessee Beta at Vanderbilt University, and reported that he could not get any good men to organize a chapter at Lebanon. Barrs says that he is going up to Sewanee, Tenn., this summer, and that he will try to put in a chapter at the University of the South at that place. I immediately answered him, urging him to do it. I have also heard from the Virginia Epsilon, but there was nothing in the letter to indicate the degree of success they are having. My brother Charley has just been home on vacation from Bloomington, and reports the Alpha as doing finely. The Alpha graduates three men this year. A letter from my man at Bloomington, Ill., received this morning, says that he has a chapter of fourteen members at Illinois Wesleyan. They intend sending him (Wakefield) to the convention to look after their interests. Bro. Ransom at Galesburg writes that they are sanguine of success. By the way, he intends presenting the $\Phi \Sigma$ constitution and ritual to the convention. He says that their ritual is very fine. His chapter of $\Phi \Sigma$ was the Grand Chapter of that fraternity, and, all the subordinate chapters being dead, he feels free to expose their secrets. I received word today that the catalogues would be entirely finished tonight. I will go up to Indianapolis tomorrow and send them out. I hope to find out definitely what I am to do about THE SCROLL. I want to see Norris and show him your constitution and then

will return it to you. The *sub rosa* branch of Indiana Delta, located at Earlham College, Richmond, Ind., is in full blast. I hope to see those boys chartered soon, for they deserve it for hanging on so long. I initiated the first man in that college on the 17th of June, 1875, so they have run nearly three years without a charter. Such pluck ought to be rewarded.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to W. B. Palmer, University of California, March 29, 1878.

Yours of March 28th was received Wednesday. I immediately wrote to the National Grand concerning the North Carolina chapter, but as I think they are now in vacation, I do not expect to hear from them for a week. I spoke to Norris some weeks ago about it, and he said he would favor it; and as Whitehead will do just what Jim does, you will have a majority of the Executive Committee on your side. Phil. Holland, the man who has written to me from Trinity College, in North Carolina, seems to be an intelligent fellow. Yesterday, I received a letter from S. E. Kennon of Trinity University in Texas. I think that the matter is really as good as settled. He says:

I have thus delayed answering in order to find out whether I could get any of our young men to go into an organization of this kind. I have succeeded in getting five besides myself (and can get more) to go into it, provided that it is a good thing. I think we will like it, but we know scarcely anything about it, and it is but natural, and I suppose reasonable, that we should want to know something more about the fraternity before we go into it. So we have decided to ask you a few questions, which, being satisfactorily answered, will decide the matter for us, and then we will write to you to send us the necessary instructions, papers, etc. First, we want you to give us a general outline of the object and aims of the $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ Fraternity. Second, we want to know what it would cost to get a chapter properly organized and started. Of course, we would bring none into it but those who would take an interest in it and make it a success. We may receive some opposition here, but I do not think it would amount to much.

On the whole I feel that I have cause for self-congratulation, for I can't help construing the above favorably. I immediately answered him, telling him that one dollar per capita for initiation fee would be all the expenses. Of course, I could give him a very favorable outline of our objects. With this chapter once organized, it is bound to be a strong one, and once fairly at work, it can work up the old Texas Alpha again. I feel worried over Nebraska. Don't you know of any plan by which we could get some other fraternity to settle at the University of Nebraska? If we could do this, Lambertson would reorganize the Nebraska Alpha, for it could be done without any difficulty. I have been waiting all year

for two Indiana Delta men now in Kansas to do something at the University of Kansas; but as they fail even to make the attempt, I will sail in and see what I can do myself. There are already three fraternities there, and if we fool around we can't do anything at all before long. I am surprised that our Pennsylvania boys don't do more for extension in their state. $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$ s have eight chapters in Pennsylvania. I send you three catalogues today.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to W. B. Palmer, University of California, April 6, 1878.

We had it disputed in our chapter whether we had a right to elect honorary members or not. The National Grand decided that we could, so we elected the Hon. Alex. Ramsey, ex-Governor of Minnesota, ex-Senator from that State, and uncle of our Brother Speel; and also the Hon. Alex. K. McClure, editor of the Philadelphia *Times*; and uncle of our Brother Lupfer. Both of these gentlemen have accepted with thanks. We now have twenty-seven men in our chapter.—W. B. Sullivan, Lafayette College, to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., April 6, 1878.

The Vanderbilt chapter has requested the Emory chapter to inform it as soon as a delegate is selected. The Vanderbilt This think they cannot send a delegate to this convention, as the chapter is *sub rosa*. I rather think myself it would be unsafe. If we go through Nashville, they will call on us, and, unless they conclude to send a delegate of their own, they will probably get us to represent them.—A. S. Hough, Oxford, Ga., to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., April 8, 1878.

Some days ago I acknowledged receipt of your letter. As I wrote you, I received the application for charter from the chapter at Trinity College, North Carolina, which now has eight members. I forwarded it to Bro. Banta, asking him to find out whether it would be agreeable to the National Grand and Executive Committee to grant the charter, and if so, to present the application, but if not, to withhold it until the convention. I am very glad we have got a chapter in the Old North State at last. I suppose Bro. Banta certainly will succeed at Trinity University, Texas, the best institution in the Lone Star State for us to be established. I am delighted to hear that the two projects for chapters in Illinois have succeeded. I am beginning to think the fraternity has entered on a new era of prosperity. I have forwarded the Bond, constitution, etc., to Bro. A. M. Shuey, of Minneapolis, and he will proceed to form a chapter at the state university

put one in at Washington and Lee soon. The catalogue is nearly ready, but I cannot say how soon it will be out. Let me have your constitution as altered before I go to the convention.—A. G. Foster, Indiana University, to W. B. Palmer, University of California, March 10, 1878.

Your revised constitution was received Saturday and your letter today. The constitution I think *very fine*. I am going to Indianapolis some day this week to see Norris, and I want to take it with me for his perusal. I will be glad to present it to the convention. About two weeks ago, Norris told me that I am expected to take the business management of THE SCROLL. I don't know whom in the world I am going to choose as editor, as Norris wanted me to make my own choice. I wish you were further East, and I would determine "mighty sudden." THE SCROLL shall be started again, if such a thing be possible. The Lombard boys have secured the Illinois Delta charter and will send an official delegate, being taxed the same as other chapters, though in the name of Illinois Delta. The Illinois Wesleyan boys number about thirteen, and will send a man to the convention to look after their interests. Virginia Epsilon is chartered and catalogued. I have sent a copy of Indiana Delta's by-laws to Robbins, at Trinity College, North Carolina.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to W. B. Palmer, University of California, March 11, 1878.

Accept my heartfelt thanks for the establishment of North Carolina Alpha at Trinity. Virginia Epsilon is all right and hard at work. Virginia Beta is doing finely and has good prospects. Virginia Gamma's men are mostly seniors, but I think the chapter will come out all right. Our chapter, Virginia Delta, is all straight. Our roll gives the names of twelve Phis at Richmond College, and the number in the city is almost enough to start an alumni chapter. Kentucky Gamma is about gone, no rivalry proving its ruin. L. L. Bristow, now of the University of Virginia, was the mainstay in keeping it up. John Rogers, who is a noble man and a good Phi, is the only Phi now at Georgetown College.—G. W. Cone, Richmond College, to W. B. Palmer, University of California, March 12, 1878.

The charter for Virginia Epsilon has been signed by the State Grand. Received a letter from Keitt the other day; he speaks cheeringly.—T. M. Hobbs, Helena, Ala., to W. B. Palmer, University of California, March 14, 1878.

I have written to Bro. A. M. Shuey, and he answers that he will have the Minnesota Alpha founded as soon as he gets the Bond, etc., from you. Good for you for thus stirring up the alumni. I have also gotten Bro. J. M. McCoy of Dallas, Texas, to work. He wrote to a professor of Trinity College in Texas, who was an old friend of his at Bloomington, Ind. The professor sent him the names of two good men, who belong to no fraternity, and recommended them as good men to start a chapter. I have written to both of the men, and hope to hear from them by the middle of next week. I feel certain of succeeding in that college sooner or later, and intend sticking to it until I do. I heard from Bro. Phil. Holland of Trinity College in North Carolina, acknowledging the receipt of the Indiana Delta by-laws. He seemed sanguine and enthusiastic. He said he would write to Bro. Williams, at Davidson College, and urge him to immediate action. The Tennessee Beta reports ten members. Bro. J. M. Barrs, of that chapter, says that R. H. Hamilton, of the Missouri Beta, at Central College, and now attending the law school of Cumberland University at Lebanon, Tenn., has visited the Tennessee Beta at Vanderbilt University, and reported that he could not get any good men to organize a chapter at Lebanon. Barrs says that he is going up to Sewanee, Tenn., this summer, and that he will try to put in a chapter at the University of the South at that place. I immediately answered him, urging him to do it. I have also heard from the Virginia Epsilon, but there was nothing in the letter to indicate the degree of success they are having. My brother Charley has just been home on vacation from Bloomington, and reports the Alpha as doing finely. The Alpha graduates three men this year. A letter from my man at Bloomington, Ill., received this morning, says that he has a chapter of fourteen members at Illinois Wesleyan. They intend sending him (Wakefield) to the convention to look after their interests. Bro. Ransom at Galesburg writes that they are sanguine of success. By the way, he intends presenting the $\Phi \Sigma$ constitution and ritual to the convention. He says that their ritual is very fine. His chapter of $\Phi \Sigma$ was the Grand Chapter of that fraternity, and, all the subordinate chapters being dead, he feels free to expose their secrets. I received word today that the catalogues would be entirely finished tonight. I will go up to Indianapolis tomorrow and send them out. I hope to find out definitely what I am to do about THE SCROLL. I want to see Norris and show him your constitution and then

will return it to you. The *sub rosa* branch of Indiana Delta, located at Earlham College, Richmond, Ind., is in full blast. I hope to see those boys chartered soon, for they deserve it for hanging on so long. I initiated the first man in that college on the 17th of June, 1875, so they have run nearly three years without a charter. Such pluck ought to be rewarded.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to W. B. Palmer, University of California, March 29, 1878.

Yours of March 28th was received Wednesday. I immediately wrote to the National Grand concerning the North Carolina chapter, but as I think they are now in vacation, I do not expect to hear from them for a week. I spoke to Norris some weeks ago about it, and he said he would favor it; and as Whitehead will do just what Jim does, you will have a majority of the Executive Committee on your side. Phil. Holland, the man who has written to me from Trinity College, in North Carolina, seems to be an intelligent fellow. Yesterday, I received a letter from S. E. Kennon of Trinity University in Texas. I think that the matter is really as good as settled. He says:

I have thus delayed answering in order to find out whether I could get any of our young men to go into an organization of this kind. I have succeeded in getting five besides myself (and can get more) to go into it, provided that it is a good thing. I think we will like it, but we know scarcely anything about it, and it is but natural, and I suppose reasonable, that we should want to know something more about the fraternity before we go into it. So we have decided to ask you a few questions, which, being satisfactorily answered, will decide the matter for us, and then we will write to you to send us the necessary instructions, papers, etc. First, we want you to give us a general outline of the object and aims of the $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ Fraternity. Second, we want to know what it would cost to get a chapter properly organized and started. Of course, we would bring none into it but those who would take an interest in it and make it a success. We may receive some opposition here, but I do not think it would amount to much.

On the whole I feel that I have cause for self-congratulation, for I can't help construing the above favorably. I immediately answered him, telling him that one dollar per capita for initiation fee would be all the expenses. Of course, I could give him a very favorable outline of our objects. With this chapter once organized, it is bound to be a strong one, and once fairly at work, it can work up the old Texas Alpha again. I feel worried over Nebraska. Don't you know of any plan by which we could get some other fraternity to settle at the University of Nebraska? If we could do this, Lambertson would reorganize the Nebraska Alpha, for it could be done without any difficulty. I have been waiting all year

for two Indiana Delta men now in Kansas to do something at the University of Kansas; but as they fail even to make the attempt, I will sail in and see what I can do myself. There are already three fraternities there, and if we fool around we can't do anything at all before long. I am surprised that our Pennsylvania boys don't do more for extension in their state. $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$ s have eight chapters in Pennsylvania. I send you three catalogues today.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to W. B. Palmer, University of California, April 6, 1878.

We had it disputed in our chapter whether we had a right to elect honorary members or not. The National Grand decided that we could, so we elected the Hon. Alex. Ramsey, ex-Governor of Minnesota, ex-Senator from that State, and uncle of our Brother Speel; and also the Hon. Alex. K. McClure, editor of the Philadelphia *Times*; and uncle of our Brother Lupfer. Both of these gentlemen have accepted with thanks. We now have twenty-seven men in our chapter.—W. B. Sullivan, Lafayette College, to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., April 6, 1878.

The Vanderbilt chapter has requested the Emory chapter to inform it as soon as a delegate is selected. The Vanderbilt This think they cannot send a delegate to this convention, as the chapter is *sub rosa*. I rather think myself it would be unsafe. If we go through Nashville, they will call on us, and, unless they conclude to send a delegate of their own, they will probably get us to represent them.—A. S. Hough, Oxford, Ga., to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., April 8, 1878.

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there. I have written to W. F. Vilas, of Wisconsin Alpha, at Madison, to put me on the track to re-establish that chapter. Bro. Banta is working on a fellow named Ed. Palmer, Zanesville, Ohio, who has attended Franklin College, and who is going to Ann Arbor next fall. Banta says he is a splendid fellow, and is trying to get him to promise to re-establish Michigan Alpha. Tennessee Beta, at Vanderbilt, has fourteen members and meets at the Maxwell House. I learn that Kentucky Gamma has about gone up and there is but one Phi there; lack of rivalry the cause. How do Indiana chapters stand in regard to the removal of the National Grand? I think it is to the best interests of the fraternity for it to go to Lafayette. However, Pennsylvania Alpha ought to show more enterprise in extending the order in its direction. It is an outpost chapter, and owes a duty to the fraternity in that way. There is no reason why New York should not be a grand Phi state. It will be easier to get in at Amherst than any other eastern college, for it is the third largest institution in New England (Harvard and Yale being inaccessible), and less crowded with fraternities. When I met you at Evansville in coming out here you told me your chapter had manuscript copies of the minutes of several conventions. Banta wrote me that he knew you had the minutes of the 1856 convention. I am extremely anxious to obtain the old minutes for Georgia Gamma and several other chapters, to preserve as a kind of history of the growth of the fraternity. Cannot you send these minutes to me and let me take a copy of them? I would keep them only a few days, and I would esteem it a very great favor. I have the minutes of 1873, 1874, 1875 and 1876, and I should like to get all others from you. I shall send you my revision of the constitution before the convention meets. I shall be much disappointed if it is not adopted, for I have spent months of study on it. I hope the convention will be the most important in the history of the fraternity. One thing sure, *THE SCROLL* must be revived; it should be made a monthly, issued on the first of every month, except July, August and September. No catalogue yet; I am looking for it every day.—W. B. Palmer, University of California, to A. G. Foster, Bloomington, Ind., April 10, 1878.

We meet every Saturday night in the best hall in Trinity; it is a brick building, 70 feet long and 40 feet wide. We correspond regularly with Bros. Cone, Banta and Hobbs. We cannot send a delegate to the convention this time. There are three other fraternities at Trinity—XΦ, ATΩ and KΣ.

G. M. Bulla will be pleased to write to you, as he is much interested in the order. Please send the charter as soon as possible. Our commencement will be on June 13 and our fraternity will be well represented. Bulla is chief marshal, Blair and Pair are sub-marshals and also commencement speakers. Brown is sub-marshall, Richardson commencement speaker, and so am I.—W. H. Robbins, Trinity College, N. C., to W. B. Palmer, University of California, April 10, 1878.

I sent out the catalogues yesterday. They cost \$400.70; only \$200 collected; hence we are in debt for them \$200.70, with only thirty days time and paying ten per cent. I am now getting in the money for THE SCROLL. Please get all the subscriptions you can in Atlanta and send to me; \$1.25 is the price. I want to get it out in May, if possible.—George Banta, Franklin, Ind., to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., April 11, 1878.

When Palmer established the Alabama Alpha, though he got no men who took honors, he just identically got the right men in the right place. A little conceited, no doubt, you think, but wait—I'll explain. The Alpha Gammas, Sigma Chis and Sigma Nus were banded against the Phi Gamma Deltas and the "democracy," as the outsiders were called. The fight had grown pretty tight, and so when the offer of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ came, we jumped at it with the greatest alacrity. It was just the thing we were thirsting for, and so I (*Ego*) had the pleasure of raising the banner of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ on the campus in the shape of W. B. Palmer's badge. The $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$ s knew what it meant—a friend who had most opportunely come to their aid, and they received us right royally. Well, as soon as we got well up in the workings, we were eager to do something to immortalize ourselves, but nothing turned up until the night of the reception given by the President. There Spencer met a young man from Emory and Henry College, John S. Mooring by name, and in the course of conversation Spencer asked him what were the leading fraternities in Virginia. He answered $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ and $B\Theta\Pi$. Spencer immediately reported the matter to me, and we consulted on the advisability of asking him to establish a chapter at Emory and Henry. We finally concluded to do so. He agreed, thanked us, and assured us that as he would have no rivals he would be at no loss for good men. He also assured us the faculty had no objection to fraternities. All this was after we had ascer-

tained from an ex-student of Emory and Henry that Mooring was the leading man there. So he was initiated, and in a day or two we left the University of Alabama and went home. About August Mooring wrote me that he had written to several of his classmates on the subject and had learned that fraternities were positively forbidden by the statutes of the college; he said he was perfectly ignorant of this until he was informed by his fellow students. Soon afterward a circular was sent to me to the effect that the fraternities at the University of Alabama were abolished, so that winds that chapter up. I received a letter from W. B. Palmer today. He says Banta has got to work on a man by the name of Ed. Palmer of Zanesville, Ohio, who is going to the University of Michigan next fall. Palmer has got up a revision of our constitution, which I want you to examine and put through at the convention, as well as Banta's alumni chapter scheme. There is a motion of my own, which has the concurrence of Palmer and others, that the National Grand Chapter be changed either to Pennsylvania Alpha or Virginia Beta. My reason for this is that should it fall to the honor of Pennsylvania Alpha, Lafayette being so close to the East and having so many students from the Eastern States, we would by this means gain an entrance into the colleges there. And if it went to Virginia Beta, the honor would be such an impressive compliment that it would rouse the members to extend the work in that State, and there would gather around the old *alma mater* of statesmen a grand galaxy of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ chapters. T. M. Hobbs, Helena, Ala., to C. B. Gaskill, Atlanta, Ga., April 19, 1878.

Our chapter is progressing very well; have initiated none since you heard from us; probably will not initiate anybody else until next fall. If there is such a thing as success we propose to reach it. George M. Bulla, Trinity College, N. C., to W. B. Palmer, University of California, May 20, 1878.

NEBRASKA AGITATED OVER ROCKEFELLER'S GIFT.

At the suggestion of Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews, chancellor of the University of Nebraska, John D. Rockefeller offered, in December, 1902, to contribute two-thirds, if others would contribute one-third, of \$100,000 for a building to house the religious and social interests of the university. This offer the board of regents accepted, and a committee composed of

members of the faculty and representative Lincoln business men began to solicit subscriptions for the new building—the “university temple.”

From the beginning there was much opposition to accepting Mr. Rockefeller's gift, but it was not until the committee announced that three-fourths of the \$33,333 had been subscribed, and that Mr. Rockefeller's donation and the temple were assured, that violent opposition developed. The Omaha *World-Herald* took the initiative in the anti-Rockefeller crusade. Its owner, Gilbert M. Hitchcock, is a member of congress, a democrat and a “trust buster.” In this opposition most of the Populist papers, some of the Democratic, and a few of the Republican papers joined.

The *World-Herald*, in support of its demand that the state should not accept the Rockefeller gift, called attention to the alleged throttling of Leland Stanford Junior University by the influence of Mrs. Stanford. It declared that freedom of opinion and academic liberty are impossible in an institution of learning that permits itself to be supported by money obtained in a questionable way; and it said:

It is to be hoped that the effort of this trust magnate to lay his foul hands upon the Nebraska State University will not succeed. . . . A plague upon your contributions, Mr. Rockefeller. . . . Nebraska wants none of them until you are willing to offer them as a contribution to the conscience fund, to which you and all other trust magnates of the day are largely indebted.

The *World-Herald* called for opinions of the state press on Chancellor Andrews' proposition “to erect a monument to John D. Rockefeller” on the state university campus. One editor replied as follows:

After a marble shaft shall have been raised to the memory of Aaron Burr; when a university chapel shall have been dedicated to the devil; when bronze statues of Captain Kidd and Pat Crowe shall grace the university campus; when all these things have come to pass—it will then be time to talk about permitting the chancellor of our state university to erect a Rockefeller memorial building upon Nebraska soil.

Miss Sarah B. Harris, an alumna of the university, writing for a Lincoln paper, declared that Mr. Rockefeller had entrenched himself in Illinois by building the University of Chicago, and that he purposed to gain followers in Nebraska by similar means. She compared him to Robin Hood, but said the fiction hero had a better code, in that “he robbed the rich and gave food to the poor.” Miss Harris saw little good in the University of Chicago, because she believed Mr. Rockefeller's “ill-gotten gains” had contributed to the crea-

tion of a force "which has flowered into freak professors and a subservient and bigoted president."

Probably little notice would have been attracted to the Rockefeller gift but for the articles written by Miss Ida M. Tarbell on the Standard Oil Company and its head, and published in *McClure's Magazine*. When the fight was hottest,



WHAT OLD NEBRASKA THINKS.

"It may be all right but dern if I like it."—*Lincoln News*.

the chancellor's foes wired to Miss Tarbell for an expression of opinion. She was prompt in answering, and among other things said:

If the acceptance of a gift from John D. Rockefeller brings with it tacit recognition of the commercial principles which he has employed with more conspicuous success than any other man in the country—if it closes the mouth

of any man in Nebraska to the corrupting influence of these principles—no greater calamity can befall the university than to accept his money.

Human experience seems to show that the receiver of a gift becomes, sooner or later, the apologist of the donor and his methods. Where there is a possibility of such a result, jealous regard for the moral atmosphere of the institution makes the refusal of the gift an imperative duty.

Many other eminent authors, living and dead, are being quoted on this line, among them Herbert Spencer and Charles Dudley Warner.

Chancellor Andrews is supported by hundreds of friends, who say that institutions of learning may accept the offerings of any individual, since such donations, no matter from what source they come, will redound to the enlightenment of the ignorant and the uplifting of the masses. They point out that state universities have always been the recipients of donations, and declare that Mr. Rockefeller is not so black as he is painted. The Omaha *Bee*, owned by Edward Rosewater, favors acceptance of the Rockefeller gift, and stands valiantly by Chancellor Andrews.

The cartoon on the subject that here appears was published originally in the Lincoln *News*, and republished in the New York *Tribune*, which loaned the zinc etching plate for use in THE SCROLL. A special dispatch from Lincoln to the New York *Herald* says:

Overshadowing for the present all other questions—social, political or religious—in this state is the one concerning the advisability of accepting a gift of \$66,667, from John D. Rockefeller, who would devote that amount, providing the people subscribe \$33,333, toward the construction of an additional building for the University of Nebraska—a “temple” on the campus, in which religion, science and the arts should find a home.

Students, faculty and friends were formed into personal agencies for the enlargement of the “temple” fund. Fraternities and collegiate societies have subscribed. Men and women students have been turning in collections of \$10 each. The faculty, with a very few exceptions, favor accepting Mr. Rockefeller's gift. The students have pledged \$3,000 and the faculty \$3,500. Nearly the whole of the required amount has been raised, but much feeling has been aroused throughout the state against acceptance of the Rockefeller gift. Clubs, societies, churches and political parties have taken up the subject, and practically every thinking man and woman in the state is interested.

Those who oppose accepting the Rockefeller money have taken a stand that has attracted the attention of educators. They declare that money accumulated in a way they describe as sordid and selfish—often using more sensational terms—should be spurned, and that it would be tantamount to an expression of approval of monopolistic methods if such a donation were accepted.

The chancellor frankly admits that he suggested to the oil king that a subscription would be acceptable, and insists that there is no thought of hampering liberal expression of educational views within the classroom be-

cause the Standard Oil magnate is to subscribe toward the erection of a building.

Dr. Andrews regards Mr. Rockefeller as a Christian gentleman, kind-hearted and liberal, much vilified and misunderstood. The chancellor is not the defender of the business methods of the Standard Oil Company. He says he is a believer in bequests to universities, whether the contributor be trust magnate or not, because he holds that the educational system can not be maintained at the desired standard by taxation alone. All, or nearly all, of the large universities, he argues, are aided by individuals.

Dr. Andrews declares the University of Nebraska has been able to maintain its high place, despite lack of funds, because of an exceptionally strong and unselfish faculty and because of popular backing. He holds that these conditions cannot long continue without private aid.

The opponents of the chancellor assert that his intimations that educational institutions need aid does not apply to Nebraska. They assert that the university can flourish "without Rockefeller or any other magnate," and put forward figures in support of this contention. These show that there are 2,675 men students in the institution and 1,313 women. These totals include a preparatory department with 843 boys and 445 girls. The tuition fees reach \$115,750 and the moneys from productive funds \$82,524. The productive fund itself is \$888,903. From state and government appropriations the university receives annually about \$150,950. The annual income is \$369,916. There are 342 male instructors and 83 women teachers.

The resignation of Dr. Andrews as chancellor was demanded by some partisans, but the faculty has stood by him firmly and consistently and assisted him in organizing committees for the collection of the money.

A special correspondent of the New York *Evening Post* writes from Lincoln as follows:

Firmly grounded antagonism to trusts in general, and to the Standard Oil Company in particular, is the primary cause for the protest against accepting the gift; and of this opposition there is, on all sides, irrespective of party affiliations, also much that is silent, that is not venting its feeling in the newspapers. In Nebraska the Standard Oil Company is especially unpopular. Among the radical Populists, and the Democrats and Republicans, too, of rural Nebraska the hatred of trusts is bitter. To tell them that there is any good whatever in the system of concentrated capital or in any trust magnate, especially Mr. Rockefeller, is to elicit the retort vehement, the argument by epithet.

But to propose to this radical element that the state university, the apex of their public school system, use Standard Oil money to educate their sons and daughters, is to call down on your head curses hot and heavy; and on this proposition the radicals are not alone. With them are many conservatives, who, while not "trust busters," believe that it is unwise for the university to form any "entangling alliance" with a great trust. Mr. Rockefeller's gift, the largest, so far as known, to a state university, has called up the question: Should the state university—a part of the public school system—become a beneficiary of a trust magnate?

The negative arguments rest on three assumptions. First, in making the donation suggested by Chancellor Andrews, Mr. Rockefeller's motive is unworthy, for he is trying "to build up an undeserved reputation for philanthropy," by "distracting attention away from the infamous means by which he attained his wealth." In this Nebraska should not help him. "He is seeking to buy our good opinion; that ought not to be for sale." One editor prophesies that Mr. Rockefeller will fail in both his attempts—"to

buy his way into the good opinion of the people of Nebraska," and "to buy his way into heaven."

The second assumption is that to accept the \$66,667.00 "Rockefeller bounty" is to preach to Nebraska youth the righteousness of trust cut-throat ethics, and to subvert the university to Standard Oil domination, gag the faculty, and gag Chancellor Andrews, who, clearly enough, they say, is already gagged. "He [Rockefeller] is seeking to obtain domination over our great institution just the same as he dictates to the institution of learning which he supports in Chicago." "Is it possible," asks one paper, "that Nebraska's proud citizens are willing to allow Rockefeller to teach their children? Chancellor Andrews has proven a great disappointment to the plain people of Nebraska. When he came here, they looked upon him as a highly educated man, fully in sympathy with them; but his recent apologies for John D. Rockefeller, and his strenuous efforts to erect a monument to a man whose only greatness consists in being the richest man in the world, are sadly disappointing."

The third assumption is that the state is abundantly able to furnish the university all the funds it needs; that outside private donations from corporate wealth are uncalled for. With the smallest percentage of illiteracy of any state, Nebraska's chief pride is in its thirty-five-year-old university. The fact is that, in proportion to its wealth, Nebraska has supported its university more generously than has any other state, and the last appropriation it gave Chancellor Andrews was by far the largest it has ever given. Rich, and rapidly growing richer, Nebraska is, the opponents of the Rockefeller gift say, "not a mendicant." "Must it play Lazarus to Rockefeller Dives?" Its university has attained its present greatness "without the aid or consent of any influence other than the taxes of its citizens." Of their ability to pay taxes, they say Chancellor Andrews "has made light." When the new revenue laws get limbered up, the state will have "ample funds without the aid of Rockefeller or any one else. God ought to reign even here in Nebraska."

A majority of the people, it seems clear, are in favor of accepting Mr. Rockefeller's contribution towards a building, for which the legislature could not, on account of religious scruples, and because many members would regard it as a "frill," be induced to appropriate \$100,000, especially when, as ex-President Kenower, of the board of regents says, "all the departments of the university are overcrowded and clamoring for room. It is futile to think of erecting such a building with public funds."

Those who favor accepting Mr. Rockefeller's gift argue that the state is not concerned with his motive, whether it is worthy or unworthy; that to accept such a gift is not in any sense to condone the giver's conduct; that to refuse the gift on the ground that the donor acquired his wealth by questionable means is, as Regent C. S. Allen points out, to adopt the policy of saying to every would-be donor, "We refuse to accept your gift until you prove you possess a sanctified character;" and that if the university, which has grown much faster than the state, is to maintain its present rank, private donors must help out on buildings; that, as Regent Allen says, "no one who is acquainted with the needs of the university will say that a profitable use cannot be made of funds vastly exceeding the utmost resources of the state."

THE DEVELOPMENT OF SORORITIES.

Under the title of "Kappa's Record," Mrs. Minnie Royse Walker, of the DePauw chapter, has issued "a short history of the K K Γ Fraternity." It is a pamphlet of 67 small pages, and it is full of valuable and interesting information, all conveniently arranged. It contains a historical sketch of K K Γ and one of each of its chapters and each of its alumnae associations. Among other features are a list of prominent members, and a list showing rival societies at each college where there is a K K Γ chapter. It is noticed that K K Γ is always mentioned as a "fraternity," not as a "sorority" or "society."

According to this "Record," it is the first historical sketch published by any fraternity for women. K K Γ was also the first fraternity for women to publish a magazine, the initial number of its *Key* being issued in 1881.

K A Θ, founded at Indiana Asbury (now De Pauw), January 27, 1890, was the first Greek letter fraternity for women. The I. C. Sorosis, founded at Monmouth, April, 1867, established a chapter at Iowa Wesleyan, 1868, and one at Indiana Asbury, 1870, but it did not adopt a Greek-letter name until 1888, when it changed its name to II B Φ. The "Record" says that an effort was made to establish a chapter of K A Θ at Monmouth, but "the women who were asked to become its charter members preferred to organize a new fraternity, and thus K K Γ came into being on October 13th, 1870."

The Alpha chapter at Monmouth was the grand chapter until 1875, when the fraternity held its first convention. The Indiana chapter was grand chapter from 1875 to 1878, the Illinois Wesleyan chapter from 1878 to 1881. In the latter year the grand chapter system of government was abolished and the grand council was established, "K K Γ being the first (woman's) fraternity to take this progressive step." The "Record" says:

The grand council at first consisted of a grand president, grand secretary, grand treasurer and grand marshal. In 1892 the office of grand marshal was dropped, and that of the editor of the *Key* added. The convention of 1900 provided for the appointment by the grand council of an historian and grand cataloguer. These last two officers are to hold office for terms of ten years, and have the privilege of attending all grand council sessions.

K K Γ has adopted the province system, but the date is not given. The first alumnae association was established at Chicago, 1892. In 1903 when the "Record" was published, K K Γ had 4,025 members, 29 active chapters, 10 inactive

chapters and 26 alumnae associations. Its membership was larger than that of any other woman's fraternity. It had almost as many alumnae associations as all the other women's fraternities combined. The first K K Γ chapter to rent a house was the one at Wisconsin in 1891, the first to build a house was the one at Stanford in 1900. The Wisconsin chapter built a house in 1902, and in 1903 rented houses were occupied by chapters at Barnard (Columbia), Syracuse, Michigan, Indiana, De Pauw, Illinois, Wisconsin, Missouri, Nebraska, Texas, Colorado and California. The "Record" claims that "K K Γ occupies more chapter houses than any other woman's fraternity."

Catalogues of K K Γ have been published in 1890 and 1898. "A new system of card catalogues has been established, which will make the next edition of the catalogue unique and complete." Song books have been published in 1886, 1889 and 1897, the last edition containing 117 songs with music. Members of the Boston chapter published a calendar in 1889, and since then calendars have been published by members of the chapters at Boston, Cornell, Pennsylvania, Ohio State and Kansas chapters. "These calendars have been chiefly printed in the fraternity's colors and decorated with fraternity emblems, and have been appropriate souvenirs and reminders of fraternity events and standards." The insignia of K K Γ are thus described:

The visible token of each Kappa's membership in the fraternity is the "golden key." This key, or badge of K K Γ , is an inch in length, with the Greek letters "K K Γ " enamelled on the stem of the key, and the letters "A Ω O," representing the date of the founding of the fraternity, on the ward. The chapter to which the wearer belongs is designated either by an attachment pin, showing the Greek letter of the chapter, or by engraving on the back of the key.

A pledge pin or badge, consisting of a Σ super-imposed upon a Δ , is worn by those who, while not yet initiated into the fraternity, have given their pledge or promise to join it.

The colors of K K Γ are the "two blues," being extreme shades of light and dark blue.

The flower of the fraternity is the fleur de lis.

The jewel of the fraternity is the sapphire.

The Kappa call consists of the Greek words, "Ai Korae, Athenes!" meaning, "Hail, ye daughters of Minerva!"

The patron deity of the Kappa fraternity is Minerva, the goddess of wisdom. Her helmeted head and owl are favorite symbols in fraternity decorations.

The "Record" claims that "K K Γ is the only fraternity having a national call." It may be noted that $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ adopted Pallas as tutelary goddess in 1891.

The first issue of the "*Alpha Xi Delta* of the AΞΔ Sorority" is dated February, 1904. It contains a sketch of the sorority, from which we learn that Σ N helped to organize AΞΔ at Lombard in 1893, and that ever since then the sorority* has been a sort of a woman's auxiliary of that fraternity.* Previous to the advent of AΞΔ, the active fraternities at Lombard were ΦΔΘ and Σ N, and there was also a chapter of the ΠΒΦ sorority. As the historical sketch of AΖΔ says:

Let us look over the situation then. In brief it was this: Two fraternities and one sorority were in operation at Lombard. The sorority was affiliated exclusively with one of the fraternities. The result to the other fraternity is easy of imagination—it was without an organized ally and suffered thereby.

Σ N wanted a feminine ally—needed one in its business, so it gave "the greatest encouragement" to the organization of AΞΔ, and helped "to get into a semblance of form and order the ideas and ideals" for which the fair founders wished to work. On April 17, 1893, "ten girls walked, none too seriously, into chapel, wearing on their breasts for the first time our beloved quill and the light and dark blue." The Lombard members of ΦΔΘ might have given AΞΔ a more hearty welcome. Perhaps they feared that if they were demonstrative in their salutation, they would arouse the jealousy of the members of ΠΒΦ. The historical sketch of AΞΔ says:

The cordial reception of the brother fraternity compensated for the coldness of the other contingent, and AΞΔ was fairly launched. Many of the girls can remember the cordial letter of welcome from Σ N that was handed in on the occasion of the first official "frat" meeting. We are dignified now and say "sorority," but to many of us the best name for AΞΔ will be the pet name of the "frat."

AΞΔ remained local nine years. It resolved to become national, and in the "national movement" it took counsel of an alumnus of Σ N, who rendered "unlimited services and good advice." The second or Beta chapter was established at Iowa Wesleyan University, June 9, 1902, when chapter S of P. E. O. was absorbed. The Gamma chapter was established at Mount Union College, Alliance, Ohio, the same summer. As the historical sketch has it—"Again it was Σ N to the rescue!" For two members of that fraternity were instrumental in establishing the chapter.

*Alpha Xi Delta is the name of a sorority founded at Lombard College that aspires to "national" representation. Its parent chapter is very thick with the local Sigma Nus, and the product of a recent union between a member of each has been donated a combination title of both organizations, being known as Delta Sigma Clark.—*Kappa Alpha Journal* for March.

With three chapters, the "first National Convention" was held at Galesburg, Ill., May 8-9, 1903, at the same time that ΣN held a division (province) convention there. On Friday, the first evening, the two chapters joined in giving a reception and dance at the Lombard gymnasium, adjourning to their respective banquets. Why they could not banquet together is not mentioned, but separation for a few hours must have been a cruel hardship. However, they came together again the next evening, when the conventions closed "with a joint rally at the ΣN house."

The ΣN *Delta* of last August published a group picture of the $A \Xi \Delta$ convention, accompanied with very sympathetic remarks, and now, in turn, the *Alpha Xi Delta* publishes the ΣN convention group, with remarks equally sympathetic. It speaks well for ΣN that it has monopolized the smiles and favors of $A \Xi \Delta$ these ten or eleven years. They appear to be as badly smitten with each other as ever; indeed the attachment seems to be growing. Evidently the poor unfortunate Phis stand no higher with these Lombard ladies than they did a decade ago.

In the fall of 1902 a chapter was established at Bethany College, W. Va., and in June, 1903, one was established at the University of South Dakota. For an organization with only five chapters, the first issue of the *Alpha Xi Delta* is remarkably creditable; indeed it is one of the best initial numbers ever issued by any Greek-letter society. It is handsomely printed and has many attractive half-tones, including portraits of grand officers and chapter groups. After admiring this array of beauty, we feel sorry for the poor Lombard Phis, and we hope that the Phis at Iowa Wesleyan stand in some higher favor with the chapter of $A \Xi \Delta$ there.

The editor of the magazine is Mrs. Anna Gillis Kimble, instructor in English at Lombard. She acknowledges assistance received from Mr. C. E. Woods, editor of the ΣN *Delta*, from the vice regent of ΣN , and from a Mount Union Sigma Nu. She also gives place in the editorial pages to a letter from a Lombard Sigma Nu, saying, "We have not yet forgotten the uphill path that ΣN in Lombard often trod before the organization of $A \Xi \Delta$;" and he congratulates the sorority on its "nationalization." There are 84 pages in the magazine, and it seems that the letters ΣN are printed about as often as $A \Xi \Delta$. This issue was intended to be a souvenir of the Alpha chapter's "nine years' growth, and the achieve-

ments of two years of national life." Subsequent issues, it is announced, will be smaller.

We note that April 17, the anniversary of the birth of A Ξ Δ , is celebrated as "Founder's Day." A Ξ Δ certainly did not get that idea from Σ N.

The X Ω fraternity, founded at Arkansas, 1895, was mentioned in the 1898 edition of "American College Fraternity" as a local society for women. It now has 14 chapters—at Arkansas, Mississippi, Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Tulane, Tennessee, Illinois, Northwestern, Wisconsin, California, Kansas, Nebraska, Columbian, Kentucky and Southwestern Baptist. It publishes a quarterly magazine of 100 pages per issue called the *Eleusis*, edited by Mrs. A. H. Pardue, of Fayetteville, Ark., and printed at Fort Smith.

The Z T A fraternity has been founded since the last edition of "American College Fraternities" was issued. It was founded October 25, 1898, at the Virginia State Normal School, Farmville, Va. The parent chapter is Alpha; Beta is at the Woman's College, Richmond, Va.; Gamma at Hannah Moore College, Baltimore, Md.; Delta at Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Va.; Epsilon at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Ark.

The badge is a golden shield on which is a smaller shield, black enameled; on the upper part of the pin are the letters Z T A above a gold crown, and on the lower part the word " $\Theta\mu\sigma$," Themis being the patron goddess of the fraternity. The colors of the fraternity are turquoise blue and steel gray, and the fraternity flower is the white violet.

The fraternity has been incorporated by the Virginia legislature. The fraternity quarterly is the *Themis*, edited by Mrs. Wm. E. Davis, Jellico, Tenn. The last convention was at Farmville, Va., last June; the next will meet at Lynchburg, Va., next June. The *Themis* says: "Although we were chartered by the legislature of Virginia as the Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, we shall henceforth be known as the Zeta Tau Alpha fraternity, distinguishing ourselves from the sisterhoods organized in connection with men's fraternities and called sororities."

Since 1898, when the last edition of "American College Fraternities" was issued, A Φ has grown from 9 to 12 active chapters, Δ Δ Δ from 15 to 18, Δ Γ from 13 to 16, Γ Φ B from 8 to 11, K K Γ from 27 to 29, II B Φ from 27 to 32 and A X Ω (musical) from 6 to 8. K A Θ has 23 active chapters, the same number that it had in 1898. These facts have been learned by consulting recent issues of the A Φ *Quarterly*, Δ Δ

Δ Trident, the Δ Γ Anchora, the Γ Φ Β Crescent, the Κ Κ Γ Key, the Η Β Φ Arrow, the Α Χ Ω Lyre and the Kappa Alpha Theta.

The *Α Χ Ω Lyre* for March contains an account of the second inter-sorority conference held at Chicago, September 19, 1903. The first, we believe, was held at Boston two or three years ago. The first conference proposed certain by-laws relating to rushing, bidding, a pledge day, etc. Conventions of the various sororities have since been held, but they did not agree on the by-laws, hence they have never been adopted. However, the second conference proposed revised by-laws, which are to be voted on by the grand councils of the nine sororities. The second conference also decided unanimously in favor of local Pan-Hellenic associations, to discuss and act upon matters of inter-sorority interest. The next conference will be held at Chicago, September, 1904.

F. AUGUSTUS HEINZE,

Recent issues of several magazines have contained biographical sketches of F. Augustus Heinze, New York Delta, '89, who though not yet



Courtesy of *Public Opinion*.

F. AUGUSTUS HEINZE.
Columbia, '89.
Montana Mining Magnate.

35 years old, has made himself a multi-millionaire in opening, developing and operating copper mines in Montana, and who has distinguished himself in a terrific struggle, legal and political with the Amalgamated Copper Company, which is supported by the Standard Oil Company. The following is condensed from a sketch by William MacLeod Raine in *Leslie's Monthly Magazine* for February and March:

It was in the fall of 1880 that F. Augustus Heinze first put in an appearance at Butte. He

was a young mining engineer, just out of Columbia University, and had scarce attained his majority. He secured work with the Boston & Montana

Company. Nobody then suspected the colossal audacity, the restless energy, and the indomitable will which the company had hired for \$5 a day.

During the year he kept this position young Heinze learned much that has since made him perhaps the most expert miner in the state. He began to pick up his intimate knowledge of the thousands of veins and cross-veins of copper that angle down in the granite of Butte Hill. He saw too that the mining claims were in a web of entanglement as regards ownership, owing in part to the defective mining laws of the early period. It was generally believed there was no room for a new man without means to acquire great wealth in the Butte field, but young Heinze thought otherwise. He returned to the east and spent two years in Germany studying mineralogy. A relative dying about this time left Augustus Heinze and his brother Arthur \$50,000 each. The two brothers formed the Montana Ore Purchasing Company and built at Butte a small single stack smelter.

Gradually Heinze picked up properties here and there. He located valuable fragments of claims that had been overlooked. He leased, bought part interests, and acquired whole properties with the money he was steadily making. There are men who say that Heinze is a better engineer in the courts than underground, but the facts do not bear this out. It is incontrovertible that he is the shrewdest investor in Montana. Time and again he has leased or bought worthless claims, and within a few weeks has struck rich paying ore. The "Glengarry" is one instance of this, the famous "Minnie Healy" another. He is either an expert mining engineer or else he has a touch of Midas.

He became involved in many suits with the Amalgamated Copper Company, growing out of disputes as to the course or dip of ore veins, and in most of these suits he has been successful. The hardest fought suit was over the "Minnie Healy" mine. "Nearly everybody in Butte believes that Heinze fairly is entitled to the 'Minnie Healy,'" says Mr. Raine, who further says:

The litigation between Heinze and his opponents became an endless source of irritation to the Amalgamated Company. He harassed it by injunctions, by contempt proceedings, and by a score of ingenious devices which cannot be recapitulated here. A dozen times the great corporation he is fighting thought it had him beaten financially or legally, but though he has been close to ruin more than once his alert brain and supreme audacity have always averted the apparently inevitable.

About three years ago Mr. Heinze broke into Montana politics in his fight against the Amalgamated. It is an illustration of the man's force and generalship that since that time he has, by holding the balance of power, elected two United States senators, a governor, a congressman, the mayor of Butte, an associate justice of the supreme court and the district judges of Silver Bow county. Republicanism and Democracy are distinctions scarcely recognized in Montana. Every man who is a man is simply for Heinze or for the Amalgamated.

Mr. Raine says: "In his legal and political battles with the Amalgamated, Heinze and his associates have had very much the best of it." He also says: "Heinze has made a more effective resistance to the deadening influence of the Standard Oil Company than any other man could possibly

have done." Concerning Mr. Heinze's personality, he says:

With the miners Heinze has always been very popular. He is temperamentally an aristocrat, but he can play the demagogue with any walking delegate of them all. The miners like him because he is a hard-rock miner and knows his business, because he has shown himself to be on their side and appeals to their class prejudices by attacking corporations and trusts.

His versatility is quite unusual. An expert mining engineer and a business man with a grasp for big things in all their infinite details, he is at the same time a good linguist, something of a musician, an astonishingly clever politician, and a campaigner who cannot speak without winning votes. His splendid physique and handsome face are reinforced by a winning magnetism. When Heinze smiles he seems to take you into his confidence as one worthy of every consideration.

TREATMENT OF NON-FRATERNITY MEN.

There are still sporadic instances of contests between the non-fraternity element and the fraternities. Whether or not the "nons" are right in their apparent conception that they are unjustly treated by the "arrogant fraternity set" is not to the point with us. They are probably moved by mere fancied grievances, and have nothing of tangible righteousness in their opposition to college fraternities; but be that as it may, to the truly conservative fraternity the occasional state of affairs that amounts to a rupture between the two elements presents a problem worthy of serious consideration. The college fraternity wants no contest with any element in student life. One of the highest aims of the fraternity is to have its chapters so composed and conducted that no attack from non-fraternity sources will be made upon it. This aim may be attained through the manner of dealing on the part of the members and chapters of a fraternity with the whole college world. The fraternity, having long since justified its existence, has become a real factor in college life, and in nearly all instances has earned the unqualified approbation of college authorities. The conduct of the chapter members and the course of the chapter as an organization, if it is broad, catholic, generous and dignified, will leave an added impress on the whole student body by reason of the often unconscious, but ever-present, respect for the fraternity ideal.

To take a specific matter, let us get rid of unpleasant nomenclature. The non-fraternity man should not be spoken of as a "barbarian." He is generally as fair a representative of nineteenth-century civilization and education as his fraternity brother. Often his failure to be a member of a

fraternity is because of personal inclination. He is, therefore, to be treated as on a social and civil equality with the fraternity brother, and not spoken of or pointed at in derision. It is simply upon lines of close companionship that your bearing toward your fraternity brother is to be different from your attitude to the mass of your fellow-students. The closest personal friendships will doubtless be formed within the chapter hall, but genuine intimacies with non-fraternity men, if they are the proper sort of fellows, are not to be despised. These non-fraternity men ought to be made to feel that they have the respect of the fraternities. In athletics and in the class-room they should be accorded proper consideration. In those places merit alone must predominate.

Further, a fraternity chapter should avoid combinations and cliques. Pan-Hellenic leagues are worthy when tending only to promote true inter-fraternity comity; when used simply to dominate class and college politics they are curses. Honors, to be honors indeed, must be fairly earned; those gained by "log-rolling" are mere shams. Every fraternity chapter must remember that it owes a duty to its college as well as to itself. An insistent avoidance of these college combinations will appeal to the innate sense of righteousness which lies within the breast of non-fraternity man and fraternity man alike.

With every fraternity member and every fraternity chapter adhering to these tenets, the non-fraternity element in a college will have respect for the fraternity system, and will not by a single word attack it. A carping few, indeed, may "wail and gnash their teeth," but their own individuality will cause their efforts to die of their inherent weakness. Perhaps in a very few very small colleges where the fraternity system has become congested we will still hear of unseemly struggles, and find that faculties are fighting the battles of non-fraternity men. The only and proper solution of such cases will be the prompt withdrawal of the fraternities from the institutions. And that such a course would be a welcome one to many fraternities no one will deny. Chapters in these weak institutions, established, as they were, in the days of fraternity infancy, have in most instances become sources of weakness, and any struggle to hold them certainly will not be entered into. The game is not worth the candle.—*Caduceus of Kappa Sigma.*

EDITORIAL.

THE fraternity press is just now much given to the discussion of the problems of extension. As this is ever before us in many phases, it may be profitable to set forth some recent expressions, in order that our relative position upon this question may be better appreciated. The spirit of these expressions is that of conservative favorableness and advocacy of thorough investigation and perfectly fair consideration. In the *Beta Theta Pi* for February the editor says:

There are two essential factors to be considered in the matter of granting a charter: First, Is the institution likely to be permanent and to attract a sufficient number of male students eligible for membership? Second, Has it reached a stage of development at which such material is abundant enough to support a chapter? Of course, there are larger questions of policy to be considered, but, after all, these are the two essential factors. The first factor can readily be determined. It is a matter of statistics and need cause little discussion. The second is a matter of opinion, and that is the reason why it is so fiercely debated.

To these essential factors must be added a third, namely, will the fraternity, as a whole, be strengthened by the granting of this application? This is the test insisted upon by our honored P. G. C., in a recent article, and in the insistence we heartily agree with him. With these three essential questions we are quite ready to make a test of any application. It is in our views upon the latter two that we seem occasionally to differ.

AT the Δ K E convention in November a banquet orator spoke as follows:

Δ K E has always stood for expansion. She has added laurel after laurel to her treasures, but she has never rested on her laurels. She will have to expand some day, perhaps, not because we are forced by weakness, but because we are not a static body. We will not expand because we are weak, we will not expand because we need strength, but we will expand because our ideals demand that we keep the greatest possible position in the college world.

This suggests pertinently the question whether or not a continual expansion among well approved institutions newly

developing is necessary for a great fraternity to escape the charge of failure to reach its very highest *possible* destiny.

In the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly* for December is a controversial article in which an anti-extensionist is criticized because of his contention that his fraternity does not need to extend for the preservation of its democracy, as it is no longer of the small size that is liable to be afflicted with the exclusive spirit. The writer contends that a cessation of growth for a long term of years, with disregard of all petitions of whatever quality or backing, would be an invitation to that real danger of exclusiveness. In this argument we very earnestly agree with him. In concluding he asserts that these are the views of a large proportion of the alumni—

The men who take hearty interest in the fraternity's welfare, who encourage her chapters, build their chapter-houses, attend her reunions, and in their respective shares, be they large or small, inspire respect for their ideals. They have no quarrel with any one urging the necessity of putting petitioners on probation, of making them work hard for their charter, of having a conservative policy in regard to extension. But they do not want to see conservatism become a fetich, simply a saying of "we won't"—an aping of the inertia of certain of our rivals. They want to see conservatism with growth, and that growth not hurried, not rapid, but calm, deliberate, judicious, enlightened, never forgetting quality, and never neglecting the internal development, which stands even more for fraternity greatness.

EXTENSION is a question of policy and of detail, and it is often hard to tell where one ends and the other begins. Certainly no fraternity can afford to shut itself entirely within its own wall of self sufficiency. Internal conditions change, inviting regions are disclosed which the self interest of a fraternity compel it to respect. When differences of opinion regarding extension seem to be irreconcilable, the most efficacious remedies are found in fair mindedness and fullness of information. Before us constantly are respectable applications which we must consider with open minds and honest hearts. Each chapter should strive to obtain every essential fact about them. The location of the institution should awaken no prejudice, for no worse motive for opposition could arise than a sectional one. The strength

and standing of the institution, the character of the applicants and the benefits to the general fraternity should be the sole considerations enabling us to decide what is in each case the proper course for us to take.

AGAIN we present a story of successful struggle for the ideal fraternity life in a chapter house. The long effort of Iowa Beta to become as well housed as was desired seems to have been really consummated, for although it is now only a rented house, it is with a privilege of purchase in three years. Who can doubt that these three years will mature this into a permanent home for Iowa Beta! We have no fear that these now oft-occurring stories of successful effort will become tedious, for with every success the whole fraternity rejoices in a glad sympathy and a sense of greater strength and stability.

ALUMNI Day this year has found an unusually wide celebration, as is shown in the alumni letters in this number. In most of the larger cities there were delightful gatherings of the wearers of the sword and shield. We trust that these alumni letters will be especially noted, in order that the loyalty and affection of our alumni may be truly realized. Everywhere there was a new awakening of interest and many of our alumni clubs seem to have enjoyed a revival of life itself. Great credit is due to our alumni commission, Brothers Ward and Hardy, for much of this new vitality is due to their careful and vigilant efforts.

ONCE in a while we read that some institution has become a convert to the honor system. The editors of *THE SCROLL* were trained under this regime and they have always advocated it as the only dignified and manly way to deal with college students. A system of espionage in which the student is almost presumed to be dishonest is certainly abhorrent to the great majority of students, who make no ethical difference between cheating on examinations and dishonest dealing

in private transactions. Those who have not tried the honor system do not realize how much more decent it is to rely upon a man's individual moral responsibility. It is absurd to pretend to train men for the great duties of life in which integrity is of the very essence of success, and at the same time treat them as unworthy of trust and confidence. An appeal to one's manhood begets an honest response. We would safely claim that for every abuse of the honor system there are many more acts of dishonesty resulting from a low sense of responsibility which is caused by watching and spying. The co-operation of students is more terrible to the offender than the vigilance of the instructors. The development of a spirit of careful right dealing in a student body, accompanied with a determination to enforce it with swift punishment, exerts a moral pressure upon each individual that leaves its enduring mark. The unity in honorable conduct guaranteed by the honor system is one of the finest foundations of development that any institution can lay. We trust that the honor system, so successful wherever it has been tried, will be universally adopted, and in its extension and successful maintenance college fraternities can and should subserve a noble purpose.

AN excellent article from the *Caduceus* of K Σ is reprinted in this issue because it points out some fine principles that we should not forget in our relations with the non-fraternity men. We have lately heard of some fierce contests with this element and we are sure that they are due to misunderstandings that would not exist if the proper relations were maintained between Greeks and non-Greeks. The blame for the hostility of those without the camp is generally first upon them, but it is too often true that fraternity men take no pains to cultivate the proper relations with them and rid them of prejudices which they may have very naturally imbibed. We commend this article especially to all of our chapters that may not be in a state of perfect peace and amity with those outside the Hellenic fold.

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

QUEBEC ALPHA, MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

We again have much pleasure in presenting to the fraternity three new brothers: Elmore McLellan Benedict, '06, Brantford, Ontario; Stephen Gibbon Newton, '06, Drummondville, Quebec; Howard Moir Archibald, '07, Westmount, Quebec; all of the applied Science department.

The chapter observed Alumni Day March 15, by holding a banquet at the Welland Café. Bro. Sellery, '04, made a very efficient toastmaster. We were very glad to have with us Bro. W. W. Mack, Vermont Alpha, '04, and one of our first alumni, Dr. McIntosh, of Vankleek Hill, Ontario.

Since last writing the following honors have fallen to our members:

Bro. W. F. Drysdale, '04, \$25 Prize for summer thesis; Bro. Hibbard, '06, editorial board of "Annual" and of *McGill Outlook*; Bro. Sharp, '06, secretary-treasurer of the Mining Society; in sports Bro. Benedict, '06, carried off the heavy weight championship at the boxing contest on March 19, and Bro. W. F. Drysdale, '04, the light weight championship.

McGill once more is benefited by the munificence of Sir William C. Macdonald, who has lately given \$100,000 and a site for a students' union. The graduates are raising \$75,000 as an endowment for the union.

We beg to take exception to the statement that McGill is the northernmost chapter of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, as Washington Alpha outstrips us by two degrees easily. We would also like to amend the table of Canadian universities which appeared in the February SCROLL as of the students in attendance 950 are available fraternity material though only 176 are Greeks.

Montreal, March 29, 1904.

LYMAN C. LAUCHLAND

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

Alumni Day was celebrated, Tuesday evening, March 15, at the Phi Delta Theta Hall. Much effort was put forth in preparing for this event to make it a success, and surely it was a success in every way. The true "Phi" spirit and enthusiasm were present at every moment during the evening. The question—"Phi Delta Theta's Contribution to our Life Equipment"—was very ably discussed by Bro. Cotton, '05. Bro. Harry E. Pratt, '02, in his witty and humorous way, spoke very pleasantly on "Loyalty to Your College." Other members of the chapter took part in the exercises and alumni members added words of encouragement. After the exercises were over, the evening was spent in a social way. Matters of chapter policy were discussed. It is such events as this that help the chapter's growth. Let us hope that Maine Alpha may have a still better celebration of Alumni Day next year.

In a series of basketball games the class championship was won by the freshmen. At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the athletic association, Bro. Spencer, '06, was elected manager of the basketball team for next year.

The Colby Dramatic club presented "A Night Off" at the opera house March 18. The proceeds of the play are for the benefit of the athletic association.

The intercollegiate track meet is to be held at Colby, May 14. A track coach has been engaged and will begin his work at the beginning of next term. With the aid of a coach and with the good fortune of having the meet here on our own grounds, it is expected that Colby will make a better showing than in recent years.

The prospects for baseball are bright. Manager J. B. Roberts has arranged a fine schedule. Out-door practice will begin soon and a large number of candidates will no doubt compete for the several positions on the team.

We regret that Bro. Masterman, '07, was compelled to leave college before the closing of the term owing to ill health and hope he may be with us again for the spring term.

ARTHUR L. FIELD.

Waterville, March 26, 1904.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

Since our last letter Dartmouth has met with a great loss. On the morning of February 18 Dartmouth Hall was destroyed by fire. The building was recognized as one of the best examples of college architecture in the colonial period. For over a century it has been closely linked with the tradition of the college and every Dartmouth man considers its loss as a personal bereavement. The alumni have responded heartily to the call for funds to replace the old building and a movement is now on foot to raise a sum sufficient to reproduce Dartmouth hall in stone, to build a new dormitory and a building suitable for dormitory purposes.

The death of Henry J. Hooper, on February 28, was a severe blow to the college. He came to the college from Exeter where he had made a wide spread reputation as an athlete. Although a freshman, his playing at Dartmouth was so brilliant that it won him a place as center on the All-America team. His modesty and earnestness made him a favorite with all who knew him and his loss will be sincerely mourned.

The Dartmouth basket ball team has just finished a successful season. The season was a most peculiar one in that the team made several unaccountable slumps which marred an otherwise perfect year. As it was, we won the tri-collegiate championship. The fraternity was represented on the team by Bro. Bankart who played a hard and consistent game throughout the season.

The dramatic club has been more than usually prosperous this year. Bro. Gormley, as manager, has supplemented the Christmas trip by obtaining an excellent trip for the spring vacation. The play to be presented is "The School for Scandal."

The annual election for managing editor of the *Dartmouth Weekly* has taken place and we take pleasure in announcing that Bro. Musgrove has been elected assistant editor and next year will assume the editorship which is now being so well filled by Bro. Woodbridge.

The "Junior Prom," the social event of the college year will be held on May 18, 19 and 20. The "Prom" committee, headed by Bro. Blatner has arranged an elaborate program and a most enjoyable time is anticipated.

The long winter has kept the baseball squad in the cage for two weeks longer than is usual. For this reason, it is rather rash to prophesy, but we cannot help thinking that we will have a prosperous year as we have lost few of last year's team and have some good material in the freshman class. Bro. Shaw who filled the initial base last year is out for pitcher, as is Bro. Black of the freshman class. Bro. Archibald is assistant manager.

Hanover, March 29, 1904.

H. B. LODER.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

On March 12 the basketball season closed with the Wesleyan game at Williamstown. Out of twenty-two games, this year's team has won fifteen and lost seven. Columbia, Brown and Minnesota were the only teams out of the league which downed the purple. In the triangular league series, Dartmouth defeated Williams three times by exceptionally close scores, thus securing first place. Williams, however, by a marked brace in the latter part of the season, twice won from Wesleyan, and ensured herself second honors. Cowell, '06, A Z A captained the team throughout the season. Wadsworth, '05, Δ T is the captain-elect.

The baseball season opens April 15 with the Andover game at Andover. Twenty-five games in all are scheduled including contests with Yale, Harvard, Princeton, and West Point. Breckinridge will coach the team, and expects to turn out an aggregation of strong hitters. Bro. Northup, '04, manages the team. With the large majority of last year's nine still in college, the prospects for a championship season are remarkably good.

The football management has been exceptionally fortunate in securing Ely, the famous Yale quarterback, to coach the eleven next fall. Harvard, Columbia, and West Point are among the strong eastern elevens which Williams will meet.

Since the last letter, Massachusetts Alpha has secured her full share of college honors. At the annual election of the assistant football manager from the sophomore class, there was the largest college meeting held in recent years. Bro. Case, '06, on the first ballot secured 156 votes, only three short of an election, and on the next ballot was easily elected. He assumes the full management after the close of the next fall season. Bro. Hulst, '06, was elected editor-in-chief of the '06 *Gulielmian*, the college annual which each junior class publishes. Bro. A. P. Newell, '05, has taken up the duties of editor-in-chief of the *Williams Record*, and by a unanimous vote of the board, the paper has been changed from a weekly to a semi-weekly.

The chapter letter, issued at the press of Bro. Geo. Banta, is out, and is in the hands of the alumni and the different chapters.

Williamstown, April 2, 1904.

ALBERT P. NEWELL.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

We have just returned from our spring vacation, college opening March 30. Brown has been in a state of turmoil for the last few months in regard to her athletics, and the sequel of it all is yet to come. At the close of last year the board of athletic directors of the university, composed of students, faculty and alumni, voted to change the eligibility rule in regard to summer ball playing, allowing students to play on semi-professional nines. The corporation of the university, however, has seen fit, since the announcement of the change in rule, to forbid any athletic games whatsoever to be played under the changed rules. Therefore the students are resolved to make the best of it and to play a team the members of which shall be eligible in every sense of the word. The outlook at present is rather dubious, as none of last year's championship team will consent to play unless the rule is changed. Brown will have an altogether new team, but one that will be pure to its core. A southern practice trip, which had been arranged, has been canceled on account of the poor team. Brown has a schedule yet to be played which has never been excelled in our baseball career, and it seems rather hard to many that we can not have a representative team. The board which passed

the new rule have all resigned and a new one has been put in. Bro. Graham is the representative from the sophomore class.

The track team has commenced work in preparation for a dual meet with Wesleyan which is to take place in May. The annual Brown banquet will be given at the Union on Saturday, April 9, and the prospects are good for a successful event.

On March 19 the college had a theatre party at the Imperial Theatre.

Junior Week commences Monday, April 11. The dramatic club, the "Sock and Buskin" presents the "Rivals" at the Providence opera house on April 13.

On March 15 Rhode Island Alpha joined with her alumni and celebrated Alumni Day in a very enjoyable fashion. Many of the alumni were present and plans for a closer union of alumni and chapter were discussed.

The chapter held their mid-winter banquet at the Crown Hotel on March 7, several of the alumni being present.

A ΔΦ has just purchased a chapterhouse on College Hill near the campus.

Bro. Buxton was elected to the Senior ball committee. Bros. Tift, Dickinson and Hopkins will probable play on the baseball team.

Providence, April 2, 1904.

B. H. BUXTON.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION UNIVERSITY.

The winter term of Union College is at an end and all its duties and pleasures. Spring term opens with exceedingly bright prospects for a good baseball team. The freshman class contains some excellent material and nearly all of last year's team are back. The schedule thus far is as follows: April 9, West Point at W. P.; April 11, Amherst at Schenectady; April 23, Williams at Williamstown; April 27, St. Lawrence at Schenectady; May 7, Hamilton at Schenectady; May 11, Hobart at Schenectady; May 13, Hamilton at Clinton; May 19, Vermont at Schenectady; May 27, Middlebury at Schenectady.

The track team is also showing up well. There are to be meets with Rutgers, Hamilton and Wesleyan. An inter-class meet took place on March 18, in which the sophomore class of 1906 won by a considerable score. The freshman banquet took place on March 15, at which 60 out of the 75 freshmen were present besides upper classmen. It was the best banquet which the college has seen in many years. Bro. Richards was on the committee.

The chapter has shown an interest in the college and the activities of the students greater than for many years past. At the sophomore *soiree* it had by far the largest and best appearing crowd present; including chapter and guests there were 35. After the *soiree* we entertained our friends with a house party.

On Saturday, March 5, the chapter entertained a large company of guests at dinner and with an informal dance afterwards. This was for the purpose of entertaining some prospective sub-freshmen. Of these there were ten present.

Brother Hays, '04, has just brought honor to the chapter and himself by winning the individual prize in the Allison-Foote debate between the literary societies.

On Friday, March 18, the Phi Delta Theta Club of Schenectady met in its annual session at the chapter house. Officers for the ensuing year were elected and house plans thoroughly discussed. The meeting was followed by an informal smoker and card party.

MARCUS H. ELLIOT.

Schenectady, March 19, 1904.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Columbia's season of indoor athletics has been an unusually successful one and has been supplemented by a number of enjoyable social affairs.

Our basketball team captured the intercollegiate championship, going through the entire schedule without losing a game. In view of this fact the team will be sent to the St. Louis Exposition to compete against the crack teams from all sections of the country in a champion series. While there, they will also meet the team representing the University of Minnesota, to decide the intercollegiate championship of the United States.

The gymnastic team captained by Bro. Ashley, '04, proved itself one of the best that has ever represented the university. In all the dual and triple meets it captured first honors and only lost the inter-collegiate event through the misinterpretation of a rule whereby two Columbia men were disqualified after securing a first and second place. Bro. Benham, '05, for two years a member of the team, and in his freshman year intercollegiate champion on the parallel bars, was elected captain for next season to succeed Bro. Ashley, '04.

The crew candidates last week took their first spin on the Harlem. From all appearances it seems that this year's varsity will be one to which we can point with pride. About fifty men are boated and Phi Delta Theta is represented by Bro. Maeder, '04, who is captain for this year; Bro. Miller, '06; Bro. Tonnele, '05; Bro. Updike, '04; Bro. Norris, '07; Bro. Clapp, '07, and Bro. Alexander, '07. The first four are veteran oarsmen and the others are candidates for the freshman boat. The stroke as taught by Mr. Goodwin, the new coach, is considerably different from that used last year, in fact it resembles in many respects that which Cornell has used so successfully.

The baseball season has opened and Columbia played her first game with Pratt Institute, winning by a score of 14 to 4. The prospects for the coming season seem excellent. An able coach, R. H. Seigel of the Ilian state league team, has been secured and the fight for positions is unusually close among the forty-five candidates who have reported for practice. Bro. Tyler, '04, of last year's team will again be a mainstay in the pitching department and Bro. Kahrlein, '05, is a promising man for short stop.

The varsity show, "The Isle of Illusia," completed a very successful run at Carnegie Lyceum and the receipts will surpass anything realized heretofore. The book was written by Bro. Gaige, '03, and a portion of the music by Bro. Parsons, '02; Bro. Buhler, '04 law, a veteran of former shows, played the leading role, making a decided hit, and Bro. Alexander, '07, acted one of the minor parts very creditably.

The 1905 *Columbian*, a book issued by the junior class, has recently made its appearance. Everything, the arrangement, the binding, the half tones, and the drawings shows that an unusual amount of care was expended upon it. Bro. Benham, '05 and Bro. Wheeler, '05, were two of the editors of the book.

This year the junior ball was held for the first time in the gymnasium, it having in former years taken place at Sherry's. The committee in charge considered that being a college affair it would be better to have it at the university. The great success of the ball showed how correct their judgment was. We were represented on the committee by Bro. Benham, '05.

It is with regret that we announce the withdrawal of Bro. Wheeler, '05, from college to enter into business. He has always been prominent in all university activities and was a member of the 1903 varsity crew.

New York, April 3, 1904.

FRANKLIN K. SPRAGUE.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

The new catalogue shows the ratio of increase in the university for 1903 over 1902 to be more than 10 per cent, the total enrollment being 2222.

Owing to the cramped conditions at the law college the authorities are contemplating the building of a new law college at the corner of Fayette and State streets. The university block will be given up to offices.

At the annual banquet held March 11 much enthusiasm was manifested in regard to a new chapter house. A committee was appointed to take the matter in hand and bring it before the alumni.

Summer school will open July 5. Advanced courses will be given in all branches.

The baseball team with coach and manager are in the south on a three weeks trip. The schedule is one of the best ever ratified by the governing board and unless something unforeseen happens we will win a majority of the games.

HARRISON D. SANFORD.
Syracuse, April 2, 1904.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

The long looked for spring term is here. All the fellows have returned with high spirits and ready to work harder than ever for $\Phi\Delta\Theta$.

Since the last issue of THE SCROLL we have been called upon to mourn the loss of Bro. John Henry Hagerty, Jr., '04, who passed away on January 22, at Phillipsburg, N. J. A number of the brothers attended the funeral.

During the Easter vacation the baseball team went south, and taken as a whole had a very successful trip. The prospects for a winning team this year are very bright. Bro. Hubley, '05, at second base is upholding the record made by him during the two previous seasons.

The combined musical clubs have returned from their trip up the state and report a very enjoyable and successful trip. Bro. Alexander, '06, and Bro. Wilson, '06, accompanied the clubs, of which Bro. Wilson is assistant manager.

The track team has begun outdoor training, and a training table is likely to be started in a few days. Bro. Wilson, '06, and Bro. McPherson, '07, are running the distances and the sprints respectively.

During the vacation Bro. Smith, '06, has been confined to his bed, but we are now glad to report that he is greatly improved and will be about in a few days.

The chapter has recently had the pleasure of entertaining Bros. Shaw, '85, Nute, ex-'91, Isett, '01, and Haldeman, Lehigh, '02. Pennsylvania Alpha is always glad of the privilege of entertaining Phis.

Easton, April 7, 1904.

E. GRAHAM WILSON.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE.

With this writing Gettysburg closes for the Easter recess which lasts from noon, March 29, to April 5.

On March 1, the board of trustees again met to elect a new president to fill the vacancy caused by Dr. McKnight's resignation. This time they were successful in electing Dr. Valentine, the editor of the *Lutheran Observer* and a son of one of the former presidents of Gettysburg College. Dr. Valentine has neither accepted nor declined the position.

The baseball team, of which Bro. Trump is manager, leaves March 29 for its annual southern trip. The prospects for a good team are very bright.

The basketball team has closed a very successful season. Bro. Muhlenberg was our only representative on this team.

The musical clubs have just returned from their annual trip. Bro. Singmaster accompanied them.

Throughout the winter term the chapter has been somewhat unfortunate. Nearly all of the brothers have been sick. Bro. Fischer, who was confined to his room for about six weeks, has been able to attend recitations again. Bro. Eppler, who took sick during the Christmas holidays, after trying in vain to recuperate here, left for his home to be operated upon. Fortunately the operation was successful and we expect him back about May 1. Bro. Dunbar also spent a week at home, laid up with tonsilitis. Bro. Hay, '03, who is attending the theological seminary at this place, has gone home threatened with consumption. Bro. Hay's sickness can be attributed to hard study. Bro. Muhlenberg, '06, bit his tongue in a recent basketball game which caused his absence from college for four weeks. Bro. Thomas has been compelled to stop college on account of bad eyesight. Bro. Hartzell, '05, has left college. Bro. Trump, '05, also intends to leave college at the beginning of the spring term to accept a government position at the St. Louis Exposition, but he intends to resume his studies again next fall.

During the past week we had the honor of entertaining Bros. Judy, Cheesman, Kress, and Kurtz, of Pennsylvania Epsilon. Bros. H. and W. Singmaster, ex-'05, and '04, respectively favored us with short visits. Bro. J. E. Meisenhelder also spent a few days with us.

The chapter gave an informal dance at its house on Friday, March 25.
Gettysburg, March 29, 1904. H. S. DORNBURGER.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Monotony and hard examinations are the principal features in W. and J. this month. Nothing of interest has happened in fraternity circles in the last few weeks except the $\Phi\ \Psi$ dance which seems to be an annual affair. The college dramatic association, now known as the W. and J. Buskin club, presented their winter play on March 25. The play, which was "The Vinegar Buyer" was preceded by a curtain raiser by Rostand, the "Fantasticks." Both performances were successes. We were represented in them by Bros. McIntosh, Johnson and Davis.

In the interclass gymnasium contest the freshmen with Bro. Hughes as leader won the drill.

Five members of the chapter attended the alumni dinner at the Henry in Pittsburg on March 15.

Bro. Yorkum, '05, one of the petitioners at State, was with us for a short visit recently.

As we have been in a new chapter house for a year past, we must ask all reporters and officials to address mail to 102 S. Wade instead of 331 S. Main.

Washington, March 31, 1904.

HORACE W. DAVIS.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

The opening of the spring term finds Allegheny College and Pennsylvania Delta in a prosperous condition. The enrollment of students for this term is better than usual for the spring term. As to the chapter, Pennsylvania Delta now has twenty-one members, with five pledged men.

The basketball season closed with honors much in favor of the Allegheny five. On our floor we defeated the far-famed "Buffalo Germans," 12 to 7.

It was a magnificent game. The strong Syracuse five also went down before our boys. Bro. McArthur was captain, Bro. Turner, forward and Bro. Lewis, guard on the team. Bro. Lewis has been elected captain for next year.

The baseball team promises success. Over thirty men are now out for positions on the team. The relay team, under the captaincy of Bro. Stricker, is doing good work and will represent Allegheny at the spring meet in Philadelphia.

Our president, Dr. Crawford, who has been with us all the year, will be absent most of the spring term; he is delegate for the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, to be held in California in April-May. There is rumor that Dr. Crawford may be called to some higher office in the church.

Pennsylvania Delta is having her share of college honors. Bro. Trosh is ladder orator of the senior class and Bro. Freeman, valedictorian. Bro. Morrison was elected delegate to the state convention of the Y. M. C. A. Bro. Swanson is manager of the *Student's Manual*.

Meadsville, April 1, 1904.

BRUCE WRIGHT.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Since the last letter to THE SCROLL, Dickinson has met with a great loss in the destruction by fire, on March 3, of our finest recitation hall—Denny Memorial Building. The loss of the building was most serious, but it cannot compare to the loss to the professors. Valuable libraries and records were destroyed, many of which are not to be replaced. Two of the heaviest losers of the professors, were Bros. Landis and Whiting. Bro. Landis had the manuscripts of two books on higher mathematics ready for the press, and not a sheet was saved. Subscriptions for a new building are coming in, and a movement is on foot to raise \$20,000 among the citizens of Carlisle to aid in the reconstruction. The building and furnishings were valued at about \$45,000, and were insured for only \$17,000, so the loss is heavy, and it will require some time to get over it. Recitations were interrupted for only half a day, and though the accommodations at present are not so pleasant, President Reed hopes to have the new building ready for occupancy by October 1.

Our Alumni Day banquet was held in assembly hall, March 15, and fifteen visiting alumni swelled our numbers about the festive board. Bro. T. Marshall West, '99, was toastmaster, and a good time was enjoyed. Bro. Stephens, who has attended every banquet of the chapter since 1888, was unfortunately not able to be present and was greatly missed.

At a football banquet, given by the athletic association, March 5, it was pleasing to see present a number of Phis who had been gridiron heroes.

Bro. Baker has arranged a trip for the glee and mandolin clubs, to begin next week. The clubs this year have about fifty members and are able to produce the real article in the way of a concert. The principal places to be visited are Lebanon, Reading, Hazleton, Freeland, Shamokin and Sunbury, all in this state. Other short trips are being planned, the proceeds from all of which are to go toward the rebuilding of Denny hall. A farewell concert will be given in Carlisle next Saturday evening.

Bro. Harry Smith has been elected business manager of *The Dickinsonian* for the year beginning May 1.

We have been pleased to entertain Bro. McCarey, of Pennsylvania Zeta, and Bro. Singmaster, of Pennsylvania Beta, during the month. Pennsylvania Epsilon visitors have been Bros. West, '99, Loose, '01, Burkey, '02,

Hoffman, '02, and Cleaver, '04. We are always glad to receive brother
This in our chapter house. Wm. H. CHEESMAN.

Carlisle, March 25, 1904.

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Foremost of things of interest in university circles at Pennsylvania at the present time is the Mask and Wigs' Easter production, "Alice in Anotherland." The "show" opened at Atlantic city on April 2 and has just finished a most successful week at the Chestnut Street opera house in Philadelphia. On account of the unprecedented demand for tickets an extra performance had to be given on Wednesday afternoon. On the following Monday and Friday performances will be given at Washington and Wilmington respectively. As usual, Phi Delta Theta is well represented. However, we are sorry to have to state that one of our foremost men, Bro. Bortle, who was cast for the title role, and upon whom the success of the show depended, was compelled to give up his part on account of a death in his immediate family. The stage manager, Mr. Morgan, assumed the duties of Bro. Bortle and gave a very creditable performance. Bros. B. and A. Ludlow were also in the cast. In the chorus we were represented by Bros. Goodin, Hall, Van Court, C. Block and Allison.

At present our baseball team is on its southern trip. Owing to the length and severity of the winter the candidates had to do all of their practicing indoors, and the first game was played on a soft field after the team had had but two or three days' practice outdoors. The first game, that with Trinity College was as a result, slow and uninteresting, with a victory for Pennsylvania by a score of 19 to 1. After this game the team went south and in two games took the University of Virginia into camp to the tunes of 9 to 1 and 10 to 1. At Washington the team defeated the strong Georgetown nine 4 to 1.

A new system of coaching with Mr. Daniel Coogan, a Pennsylvania graduate as head coach, is being tried, and although it is quite early to draw conclusions, so far it has been successful. The team has a long and difficult schedule and Pennsylvania has her work laid out for her.

Pennsylvania Zeta too is devoting its attention to the horse hide. Bro. Turnbull has been elected manager and he is endeavoring to get together a team which we think will be fairly strong. There is talk of a fraternity baseball league at Pennsylvania and if such is arranged Pennsylvania Zeta will play her part.

On March 15 the Phis in and around Philadelphia held our annual Phi Delta Theta banquet at the Bellevue. Bro. J. C. McReynolds, assistant attorney-general, was to be the guest of the evening, and to have made the principal address, but owing to the sudden illness of his father he was unable to be present. However, the banquet was a success in every sense of the word and Phi Delta Theta's interests in Philadelphia were greatly furthered.

On March 11, the junior banquet was held and Bro. Bortle, president of the class, responded to the first toast. Bro. Hall was on the committee. On April 22 the junior ball will be given at Houston Club.

Bro. Keene, one of our senior "Meds.," was elected a resident physician of the University of Pennsylvania Hospital. WALTER KELLAR HARDT.
Philadelphia, April 11, 1904.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

Since our last chapter letter we have held an initiation and desire to introduce Bro. William McCleary. Bro. McCleary was formerly at Penn-

sylvania State College, where he was a member of the Delta Chi society whose petition for a charter is before the fraternity.

The baseball and lacrosse seasons are in full swing with fair prospects. Pennsylvania Eta has four men out for the baseball team and one man for the lacrosse team.

Bro. John McCleary has one of the principal roles in the coming production of Romeo and Juliet by the "Mustard and Cheese."

The chapter house idea has taken a strong hold on the fellows lately and several plans have been discussed. There will probably be something definite done along this line before the end of this year as Pennsylvania Eta is awakening to the fact that if she wants to keep up with the other fraternities at Lehigh and with the chapters of our own fraternities we must get a chapter house of our own. Alumni Day was celebrated in the usual manner. A banquet was held early in the evening and later during the pleasant evening which followed speeches were made on the assigned subjects. The evening was voted by all to be a great success. J. H. WALLACE.

South Bethlehem, March 19, 1904.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA BETA, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

In writing a letter to THE SCROLL from the University of Virginia, it is not often the privilege of the reporter to note the many new improvements as it is the pleasure of so many of our new colleges throughout the land: for these things have been long established at Virginia, and in this we hold a special pride. But with all her celebrated walks and buildings (all on the old Grecian style of architecture) as occasion demands there are added others, and always the Grecian columns prevail. The latest addition, which is yet in the prospect, is a \$50,000 Y. M. C. A. building, given by Mrs. Dodge, of New York City. To her donation is added a \$20,000 contribution by the students and the alumni. So, in this building, the university will have a splendid addition.

At this writing our Easter festivities are just on. A baseball game every day for a week with germans at night and an occasional public "goating" of the class fraternities,— and all for the love of the "calico," is the program; and one which always makes Virginia remembered.

Thus far the baseball team has won six victories and suffered three defeats. Next week we play on the university grounds, Yale, Pennsylvania (two games) Lehigh (two games) and Cornell.

On the team $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has Bro. Stearns (who, by the way, was recently married) as captain, at third base, Bro. Bob Munger, behind the bat, Bro. Cracraft in the box, Bro. Edgar Woods, on the bench,—all sympathizing. This will please deposit one dollar with the undersigned.

Bro. Eugene Munger has this night in public contest won the Gym medal which gives him a college "V," and the distinction of being the best all-round in-door athlete at the university. HARTLEY P. SANDERS.

Charlottesville, April 2, 1904.

VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH MACON COLLEGE.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL we have initiated a new man, Bro. Brent of Virginia, and we take pleasure in introducing him to the fraternity. This raises our number to nine, the largest chapter we have had for seven or eight years. Out of these we expect to have at least six back with us next year.

Recently we have had visits from Bro. Watson, our province president, and Bro. Kibler, one of our charter members. Bro. Kibler was very much interested in the progress of the chapter and congratulated us upon securing a house. Then we have had with us Bros. Blazer, McCleary and Badgley, of the Lehigh chapter. They came down with the varsity baseball team. Bro. Wilson, of the University College of Medicine, came up from Richmond and stayed with us a day or two.

Bro. Williams was recently elected as alternate in the debate with Trinity College. Bro. Blakeney is the poet of the graduating class of this year, and Bro. Brent plays right field on the ball team. Bro. Blakeney is manager of the ball team and Bro. Gravely is official score keeper. Bro. Carter is historian of the class of '06.

Our team has had a very successful season thus far. Out of six games it has won four. The second game was with the University of Virginia. We were beaten by a score of 4 to 0, but the Virginia men said ours was the best team they had been up against this year. Maryland Agricultural College lost to us by the score of 12 to 7 and the University of Maryland by a score of 5 to 4.

Now that spring is near we are beginning to appreciate what a nice place our house is to loaf in. The long broad porches on the front and side are exactly what we want to pass away the pleasant evenings. From the side porch we have an unobstructed view of the whole campus.

Ashland, April 6, 1904.

RICH. P. GRAVELY.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

The decision of the lower court, upholding the will of Mrs. Mary A. Furman, who bequeathed to the university \$110,000, has been reversed by the supreme court of the state and a new trial ordered. This is rather disappointing, but there is little doubt that the university will finally get the money.

The qualifying examination for the Rhodes scholarship will be held on April 15. There will be several entries from Vanderbilt, among them Bro. Tigert.

The basketball team closed an otherwise successful season by losing to Cumberland. The sudden rise of Cumberland in the athletic world has been phenomenal and she bids fair to be Vanderbilt's hardest rival in future years.

The baseball team, though somewhat weak in pitchers, is showing up well. Bro. Cornelius is at his old place in the outfield, Bro. Weaver is one of the pitchers, and Bro. Hall is substitute out-fielder. Bro. Hall is also captain of the freshman team.

Subscriptions are being raised for sending a track team to the intercollegiate meet in Texas. There is good material for a team and one will be sent if possible. Arrangements are also being made for a dual meet with Georgia.

The faculty representatives from the biblical and academic departments have been elected, Bros. Dobbs and Tigert receiving the honors respectively. Bro. Dobbs was the winner of the intersociety oratorical contest and will represent Vanderbilt in the intercollegiate contest to be held in Nashville this spring.

Bro. Wright will be editor-in-chief of the *Commencement Courier*. Bros. Cornelius and Tigert will make speeches on class day.

The annual banquet was given at the university club on February 28. Every member of the chapter was called on for a toast, and we enjoyed ourselves greatly.

At present writing Bro. Tigert is seriously ill with pneumonia: the outcome being as yet in doubt.
ADOLPH F. NYE.
Nashville, March 27, 1904.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

The members of Tennessee Beta are again assembled from all points in the south, after their long winter vacation. We report with sincere regret the failure to return of Bros. Abrams, Ellerbe, Shoup, Barlow and Brooks, five of the chapter's most worthy and devoted Phis. Bros. Ellerbe and Brooks hope to return to Sewanee in the near future.

The chapter has been fortunate in affiliating into its midst, Bro. Willis Clark, of Alabama Beta, who will be with us during his three years' course in the theological department.

Tennessee Beta now numbers only eleven men, but all stand well in every phase of university activity—literary, social and athletic. We have no fear of losing our enviable reputation among the fraternities in Sewanee during the coming year. Most of our active members are experienced and popular men, and we hope for a happy continuance of last year's success in our mid-summer rush.

Our collection of college pennants for chapter hall decorations, is almost completed, and when the few chapters who have received Sewanee's colors and have not yet responded, exchange with us, our house will be materially improved in appearance.

Sewanee puts forth one of the best baseball teams in her history this spring, and prospects seem to indicate as great a success in this milder sport, as fell to her lot last fall on the gridiron. Bro. E. Kirby-Smith as short stop and Bro. Walter Palmer as substitute, represent Tennessee Beta's active interest on the field.

The *Sewanee Literary Magazine* and *The Sewanee Purple*, the two student publications, both show an inviting prospectus for the coming year. Bro. Brown is an associate editor of the former, Bro. Williams and Palmer being on the staff of the latter.

The reporter has been pleased to receive quite a number of annual letters lately, and also to learn of so many applications for charters from Phi Delta Theta. The letters prove the perfection of our fraternity organization; the applications prove the general recognition of this perfection.

Sewanee, April 7, 1904.

WYATT BROWN.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

GEORGIA DELTA, GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY.

We take great pleasure first in introducing Bro. Gager, of Chattanooga, Tenn., to the fraternity.

The Tech. seems to be the coming fraternity center of the south, for since January 1, $\Phi K \Sigma$ and $\Pi K A$ have entered the college. There is also a local club, $K \Delta$, petitioning $\Theta \Delta X$ for a charter. We hope that they will be as successful as the three other fraternities, which have entered since the beginning of the present school year.

On December 12 the chapter gave its annual fall dance, at the Piedmont driving club, which was the social event of the time; we have been very lucky in getting the club where others have failed.

In athletics, we still take our prominent place, both as a chapter and a college. We have secured the services of the south's most prominent athletic coach, Mr. Heissman. We hope to stand on top in all the athletics now,

with Mr. Heissman as a coach. Bro. Gager is playing center field on the baseball team, while Bro. Knight is catching. Bro. Raht has been recently elected assistant manager of the team.

On February 18, the annual gymnasium contest took place. Most of the chapter took part in the contest. Bros. Raht and Winship were especially prominent. There are several of the chapter out with the track team. Bro. Winship is manager of the team, besides being secretary of the athletic association.

The chapter is also in a fine condition internally, and active arrangements have been going on for some time, to prepare the way for the convention which meets in Atlanta next fall. We intend to make it eclipse all former conventions. The whole chapter is eagerly awaiting the time it is to be held.

Atlanta, March 7, 1904. HENRY J. SCALES.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

This has been a very successful year for our chapter. At the beginning of the college year ten old men returned, being all of last year's chapter except Bros. Taylor and Thornton, who graduated.

It gives me great pleasure to introduce the following initiates: Bros. L. W. Pierce, Montgomery, Ala.; C. H. Johnson, Columbus, Ga.; C. C. Certain, W. F. Jordan, Huntsville, Ala.; G. Lipscomb, Demopolis, Ala.; J. G. Browder, Livingston, Ala.

Our second term examinations are now over and we have again settled down to our regular college duties.

The baseball season has opened with fine prospects; games have been arranged with the leading southern universities and colleges and from the boys' faithful practice we are expecting good results. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ will be well represented on the team.

We have seven fraternities, including $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ at Auburn. Their numerical strength is as follows: $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, 16; A T Ω , 20; K A, 11; Σ A E, 21; Σ N, 9; II K A, 19; K Σ , 22. It is rumored that $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$ is to enter Auburn, but as to the truth of this we are not able to say.

$\Phi\Delta\Theta$ still holds her own in college life here. Bro. Pierce is post graduate in electrical and mechanical engineering. Bro. Chambers is captain and batallion adjutant, and president of the Senior German club. Bro. McDonnell is assistant editor-in-chief of *The Orange and Blue* and one of the editors of the *Glomerata*.

Bro. Turnley was substitute on the senior football team.

Bro. J. S. Boyd is sergeant of Co. C. and president of the junior German club. Bro. W. G. Boyd is president of the sophomore class and captain-elect of the baseball team.

Bro. Dillard is president of the sophomore German club, and Bro. Bailey is leader of same. Bro. Gray is historian for the sophomore class. Bro. Rencher played on the sophomore football team.

Bro. W. G. Boyd did not return after the Christmas holidays; we regret very much to lose him.

We were very glad to have Bros. R. Spratling and W. D. Peabody, '02, with us for a few days this month. Bro. Peabody is now with the General Electric Co., Schenectady, N. Y. Any Phi coming to Auburn will always be welcome.

CHARLES G. DILLARD, JR.

Auburn, March 30, 1904.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

The winter term of our college year closed on March 19. During that term indoor contests of all kinds have been numerous and have been participated in by a large part of our student body. Aside from the men's basketball games, quite a good deal of interest was shown in a game between the ladies' team of Ohio State University and the ladies' team of our own university. It was the first intercollegiate contest of the kind ever held here and after an exciting and well played game, the Miami team came out victorious.

All are looking forward to our outdoor athletic season. Our baseball prospects are good. Games have been arranged with DePauw, Kentucky State and other leading colleges in this section and we hope to have as successful a season this year as last. From present indications Ohio Alpha will be well represented on the team.

In a preliminary contest held recently, Bro. Kinsey won a place on the team which was to debate with the University of Cincinnati, May 20. It is to our serious regret that the debate has been called off.

A large number of our faculty and senior class attended the banquet of the Miami university association of Hamilton, held at the St. Charles hotel in that city on March 12. The association has recently been organized by the larger number of alumni residing in Hamilton and vicinity and the enthusiasm aroused at its first banquet augurs well for the permanent success of the organization.

The students, faculties and friends of the institution were very much grieved to learn of the death of Mr. Harry Jacoby during our spring recess. Although not a fraternity man, Mr. Jacoby was one of the university's brightest and most promising students and his life was an inspiration to all those who knew him.

HOWARD S. SMITH.

Oxford, April 5, 1904.

OHIO BETA, OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Since our last letter we have met Western Reserve University and Wooster in debate upon the opposite sides of the same question and won in both contests, thus leaving the final issue of the question somewhat unsettled.

The schedule for the series of interfraternity baseball games for this spring has been arranged; we are to play the first game of the series on April 16, with the Delta Tau Deltas for our opponents. Our prospects for again winning the cup which we now have in possession are not so favorable as they were because of the loss of two of our best players; Bro. D. A. Morrow having gone home on account of sickness and Bro. Earl Raeclin being disabled with a sprained ankle.

Capt. Smith is now giving the varsity active practice upon the diamond and prospects are good for a winning team.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bro. Charles of Cleveland and have pledged Archie Scott of Columbus.

We are now looking forward with pleasure to the convention of Delta Province which will be held here on May 12, 13 and 14. We extend an invitation to all Phis to be with us on that occasion.

Delaware, March 19, 1904.

C. FRED ANDERSON.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

All interest here is directed to Centennial week, which is to be held June 12 to 18 in connection with "The Athens Home Coming." A great time is

assured. It is the desire of the committee to have all persons present, who ever lived in Athens at any time. An office has been established to take care of all communications. Any information on the subject can be had by writing "The Athens Home Coming," Athens, Ohio.

At present Ohio University is having somewhat of a building boom. The new state building is nearing completion and will soon be occupied. The building is of brick and stone, four stories, with all the modern improvements. It makes a handsome addition to the eastern part of the campus.

By the influence of Gen. C. H. Grosvenor with Mr. Andrew Carnegie, Ohio University and the city of Athens will soon have a new library. Mr. Carnegie has agreed to give the city \$30,000, with which to build a library. This with money already appropriated by the state for the same purpose, will be combined to build a joint library with free usage to both citizens and students. Plans have been accepted and work on building will begin at once.

This term we have pledged the following men: Mr. Little, of Parkersburg, W. Va.; Mr. Lamb, of Pleasantville, Ohio and Mr. Stewart of Plainfield, N. Y.

JOHN PRESTON.

Athens, March 5, 1904.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Since our last letter to THE SCROLL, we have initiated Bro. Hurbert S. Tullock, '06, of Leavenworth, Kansas. This increases our membership to twenty-two. Bro. T. P. Davis, catcher on last year's varsity baseball team, has been compelled to leave college on account of the death of his father.

The chapter held its annual banquet and house-warming in the new house on March 19. We were very glad and honored to have Dr. Brown, P. G. C., with us on this memorable occasion in the chapter's history. The holding of the banquet in the new house made it a most successful affair and it was attended by about sixty Phis.

Bro. F. H. Dixon, professor of economics at Dartmouth, acted as toastmaster and the following responded the toast: Greeting, H. A. Sanders; The Ideal Influence of the Fraternity, Rev. H. F. Shier; First Impressions, J. S. Curtis; Restoration of Michigan Alpha, J. E. Brown; The Typical Fraternity Man, E. J. Jones; Our Seniors, Hugh W. Clarke; Our Alumni, Allen H. Kessler.

Besides the active chapter there were present the following alumni: Michigan Alpha: R. D. Chapin, F. L. Lowrie, I. J. Bradway, W. W. Fox, F. J. Bayley, A. H. Kessler, M. W. Ross, T. P. Davis, P. F. Steketee, L. W. Steketee, W. S. Foster, C. W. Foster, C. K. Chapin, W. P. Montgomery, F. H. Dixon, D. D. Starr, J. P. Van Cleve, Ned Begle, A. W. Hookway, H. A. Sanders, H. F. Shier, H. L. Begle. Michigan Beta: Arthur Lyons, C. K. Chapin. Michigan Gamma: G. W. Green. Ohio Beta: J. H. Rardon, J. E. Brown, E. L. Jones, G. P. Burns. Ohio Theta: A. C. Everham, H. F. Schell, H. F. Lehell. Indiana Alpha: C. L. Edmunds. Indiana Epsilon: W. P. Putnam. California Beta: W. P. Elmers. Missouri Beta: D. S. Stratton. Alabama Alpha: H. B. Searcy.

Michigan closes her series of indoor track meets March 26 with the Cornell meet. Bros. Kusterer, Davis, Miner and Morrison are trying for the varsity baseball team.

EUGENE T. HAMMOND.

Ann Arbor, February 23, 1904.

OHIO ETA, CASE SCHOOL OF APPLIED SCIENCE.

Fraternity matters with the boys in Ohio Eta are keyed to the usual pitch. There is ever "something doing" with the fellows here. While we have had no initiations since last September we have had one eye out for available good men, and before the next issue of *THE SCROLL* we shall probably have occasion to report a second initiation. We started the year with thirty men; at present we have but twenty-eight. Bro. W. R. Miller was forced to leave school on account of his health. Bro. B. V. Bassett will not graduate with the class of '06, he having not returned to complete the second term work. Mr. Bassett, while he has accepted a very responsible position with the Clough and Witt Machine Co. in this city, hopes to complete his course at a later date. Both of these brothers are greatly missed from the active life of the fraternity, it is our earnest desire that we may later receive them back into college work.

Socially, the past winter has been a very delightful season for us. The dance committee has served faithfully not only for party assessments (how we would miss (?) this part) but for devising pleasant evenings for the chapter.

On February 20 the fraternity house was the scene of a jolly occasion, a childrens' party given by the chapter.

On February 20 the girls of Ohio Eta entertained the chapter with a leap year party. To say we had a good time would be putting it mildly. The girls certainly outdid themselves. The only comment was that leap year comes but once in four years; most of us would like to have it come every year were we to be certain of such fine entertainment from the ladies.

The winner of the pan hellenic bowling tournament has been practically settled, while $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ takes second place. Recklessness and lack of practice alone prevented us from winning the pennant. Many games were lost by less than 15 points.

The smoker which was mentioned in our last letter, is evidently going to be a move in the right direction if first results count. It has been decided to devote the last Saturday night of each month to the entertainment of the Cleveland alumni. This entertainment is to take the form of a smoker. Last week invitations were sent out to all alumni in the city. These were responded to most generously. Bro. J. B. Ballou, T. G. C. was the guest of the evening. While tobacco and cards constituted a part of the good time, they filled only a part because we had to keep room for the delicious ice-cream, cake and punch served by the committee. A quartette composed of Bros. Cadle, Charlesworth, Barkdull, and Schroeder, rendered several humorous selections.

The cold weather still lurking around Cleveland has prevented the track team from getting much hard training. The squad has been out only for cross country runs. Coach Caston has taken active charge of track men and work will begin in earnest when the weather moderates. A very satisfactory schedule has been arranged by Captain Kauffman.

The musical clubs start for a short trip on April 4. Dates have been arranged in Akron, Canton, Youngstown, and probably several other down state cities. We anticipate a very pleasant as well as profitable trip.

Report of the alumni dinner which was held at the fraternity house March 16, will be given in the next issue.
F. L. HICKOK.

Cleveland, March 31, 1904.

EPSILON PROVINCE.**INDIANA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA.**

Indiana Alpha opens the spring term with brilliant prospects for a new chapter house. On February 28, Brother Banta came down from Menasha, Wisconsin and was joined at Indianapolis by Bro. J. W. Fessler, '87, and James L. Mitchell, '89. \$2,500 was raised in one day and this did not include former subscriptions. We have already purchased one of the most desirable lots in the city and hope to have a large \$12,000 chapter house ready for occupancy next year.

Our resident alumni met with us on Alumni Day and we made it a fraternity holiday. In the evening we had a smoker. Hon. Robert W. Miller led the discussion and every one present had something to say.

Bro. Joseph W. Kenney won first place in the primary oratorical contest and will represent Indiana at Ohio Wesleyan next May. The colleges represented in the contest are Cornell, Ohio State, Ohio Wesleyan, Illinois, West Virginia and Indiana.

Bro. Shaw's minstrel was a great success. It was given for the benefit of athletes and quite a large sum was realized. The minstrel quartette was one of the hits of the performance. The members of this quartette were from $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ and $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$.

Hon. John W. Foster, '55, made quite a substantial donation to our chapter house fund.

Any alumnus who can tell us of new men who intend to enter Indiana University will confer a great favor by corresponding with the reporter.

We take pleasure in introducing Bros. Chas. L. Hornaday, of North Manchester, Indiana, and Cecil Gamble, of Wabash, Indiana.

Bloomington, April 6, 1904.

J. HARVEY SMITH.

INDIANA BETA, WABASH COLLEGE.

The spring term at Wabash opened April 5, with a marked increase in attendance, some 225 being enrolled. Prof. Millard, who has been away on a leave of absence, has sufficiently recovered to be able to resume his work in the English department. Mr. Edward Daniels, '75, of Indianapolis, a man prominent in legal circles of Indiana, is giving a series of lectures on jurisprudence during the term. This feature of special courses in lectures by post graduates is a commendable addition to the regular courses of the college.

Indiana Beta alumni with the active chapter celebrated Alumni Day by banqueting at the chapter house. While but few out of town alumni were present, most of the members of the Crawfordsville alumni club attended and made the occasion one long to be remembered by both old and young. Few of the old Phis realize what it means to the undergraduate brother to sit at the festive board with older men, experienced in fighting the world, and to hear their expressions of loyalty through the many years, to their old chapter.

Bro. T. H. Ristine, treasurer of the college, presided at the post prandial feast. Bros. Morgan, '59, Garner, '93, Evans, '98, Little, '96, Gerard, '99, Foley, '99, Day, '03, H. G. Evans, and King, '04, responded to toasts. After the banquet, announcement was made of the receipt of the gift of \$570 to the chapter house association. By the end of the year, Indiana Beta's house will be free from debt.

We have lost three of our active men this term: Bro. King, of Rochester, who was called home by the death of his father; Bro. Hess who has gone to Seattle, Washington, but will return to finish with his class in June; and Bro. Beale, who will return next year.

Mr. Semple, '92, has been secured to take charge of the baseball squad and work began April 5. The schedule for this year is a very hard one. Bro. Boulton will be one of the pitchers. Our first track meet is with Indiana University in May. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ will be represented by Bros. Reed, captain, and Henry.

The annual chapter letter has not yet been issued.

Crawfordsville, April 6, 1904.

ROBERT D. SCHROCK.



INDIANA BETA HOUSE.

A Different View From the One Shown in THE SCROLL of December.

INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

Since the appearance of our last letter in THE SCROLL, the university has let the contract for the new physics building, the consideration to be \$60,000 for building and equipment. It is to be three stories high, built of brick with stone trimmings and when completed will present one of the largest and handsomest structures on the campus. The work of raising subscriptions for the memorial gymnasium is being quietly but constantly carried on and we hope in a short time to announce the ultimate success of the undertaking. The movement will continue until the originally proposed sum of \$100,000 is raised.

The formal dedication of the Eliza Fowler hall, together with that of the magnificent new organ, the gift of Mr. James Fowler of this city will occur

on May 4, at which time an elaborate program, occupying the entire day, will be presented. The Governor of Indiana, the chief executives, and numerous speakers from colleges within and without the state will be in attendance.

Extensive preparations are also being made for the gala week celebration to be given the week preceding commencement day. This is the first time such an event has ever been attempted at Purdue, but should it prove successful, it will be made an annual affair. The object is to encourage the return of alumni by the presentation of festivities of an unusually attractive nature. With this in view, the fraternities have been looked to for special aid in the entertainment of the university guests. Toward the accomplishment of this desire, the chapters have united in pledging their hearty support and co-operation in the undertaking. Indiana Theta will keep open house for her alumni and hereby extends an urgent invitation for as many as can to be present.

The prospects for baseball are more encouraging than they have been for several years past. An unusually heavy schedule has been arranged which will doubtless develop a veteran team before the season closes. Track athletics are not so promising but we hope to increase our strength before the big events take place.

Our annual province convention occurs April 20. This year the convention banquet is to be given at the Columbia club under the auspices of the Indianapolis alumni association. Extended preparations have been made and speakers of national fame have been arranged for on the program. We hope to have a large attendance at this meeting.

The Purdue minstrels will occur next month; Bros. Rauh and Middleton are among the end men. Our April initiations are now taking place so that by the time of our next letter we shall be able to present our new brothers to the other chapters.

Bro. S. V. B. Miller, who was seriously injured in the Purdue wreck last fall, made us at Easter his first visit since the accident. He is recovering slowly but steadily and hopes to be able to re-enter the university next fall.

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Bro. Robert Sample Miller which occurred March 27 at his home in Lafayette. Bro. Miller was graduated at Purdue in the class of '95 and, until recent years, when his health failed him, had remained at his alma mater as a member of her faculty. As a brother and professor he was loved and respected by all and his death brings a heavy loss to those of us who had known him and felt the ties of friendship and brotherhood.

SAMUEL G. CLIFFORD.

West Lafayette, April 11, 1904.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The first semester is over and the second has opened with bright prospects for university and fraternity. Except for an occasional fraternity party the winter has been devoid of any event of unusual interest.

Northwestern has been very fortunate in obtaining the services of Jerry Delaney as coach of track athletics. He comes from the east and brings with him an abundant supply of energy and push. One can even now see signs of the change he will make in this department of athletics, a department which has been sadly neglected here at Northwestern. Bro. Baird is running the two mile, Bro. Barker is showing up well in the sprints and Bro. Allen is throwing the discus.



INDIANA BETA HOUSE—THE DINING ROOM.



INDIANA BETA HOUSE—THE PARLOR.

Interfraternity baseball interest is keen this spring. Almost every fraternity will have a team in the field. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ will be unusually strong this year. Last year we lost the pennant to ΣN . It was the first game in which $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ was defeated in three years, having held the pennant for two consecutive years.

The varsity baseball squad is large this year and under the direction of Coach Fleager the fellows are working with the firm determination to turn out one of the best teams Northwestern has had in years. The bad weather has made it impossible to do much outdoor work but the severe training in the gymnasium has eliminated any bad results that might occur because of a backward spring.

The annual pan hellenic promenade was held on February 26 at the Evanston Country Club. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ was represented on the committee by Bros. Harker and Wakeman. ΣX led and all agree that it was one of the most enjoyable occasions during the entire history of the association.

Evanston, April 4, 1904.

OLIN A. WAKEMAN.

ILLINOIS DELTA, KNOX COLLEGE.

Some progress has been made recently in the chapter house fund which Illinois Delta started a little over a year ago. Within the past week three additional notes have been signed amounting to \$300. This brings the sum of the pledges so far up to \$2700. Since our Alumni Day banquet this matter is being pushed very vigorously among the alumni by the treasurer, Bro. G. D. Tunnicliff, '96. Several have already signified their intention of doing something for the fund in the near future. The outlook is very encouraging.

Owing to a conflict of a number of events on March 15, Illinois Delta's Alumni Day banquet was held on Wednesday, March 16. It was a very enthusiastic occasion. About fifty active men and alumni, including all the active chapter of Illinois Zeta, gathered at the chapter house early in the evening and proceeded to the Burlington Route banquet hall, where the remainder of the evening was spent in feasting and toast making. The general theme was that suggested by the General Council—"Phi Delta Theta's Contribution to Our Life Equipment." We were privileged to have as one of the speakers, John W. Gilbert, who was among the founders of this chapter. The true fraternal spirit which pervades at these gatherings and the contact with alumni we feel will go with us as a reminder of what fraternity life really means, throughout the year.

The glee club, together with the ladies' quartet, has just returned from an unusually successful trip of ten days. Considerable credit for their good work is due to Bro. Hinchliff, '03, who is now studying in the conservatory and is assistant director of the club. We are represented by Bro. Hinchliff, '03; Bro. Williamson, '04; Bro. Snohr, '06; and Bro. Lowrie, '07.

Bro. Heinly, '04, has been made first "student manager" of the interscholastic athletic meet to be held here May 21, under the auspices of the trustees of Knox College. This appointment is considered a great honor as the meet has a wide reach, bringing together most of the high schools of western Illinois.

On March 6, Bro. Heinly was officially presented with a "K" sweater in recognition of the able manner and faithfulness with which he managed the football team last fall. He is the first manager upon whom this honor has ever been conferred.

In the Washington's Birthday exercises Bro. Lowrie represented the freshman class. He delivered an essay entitled "A Revolutionary Hero."

Bro. Edgerton has been elected to the junior oratorical contest by the Gnothautic literary society and Bro. McClelland to the same contest by the Adelphi literary society. This contest between six juniors is to decide as to Knox's representative to the state contest next October.

Galesburg, April 6, 1904.

KELLOGG D. McCLELLAND.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD COLLEGE.

We have pledged two men, Albert Wertman of Villisca, Ia., and John Martin of Le Roy, Ill. This brings the total membership of the active chapter up to fourteen, which is equal to the strongest chapter Lombard has had in the past few years. In its composition also the chapter is as strong as it is numerically, a unit in itself and occupying a conspicuous place in the student body.

In athletics this spring, which bid fair to be unusually successful for an institution of Lombard's size, Phi Delta Theta will be well represented. In track work, Bro. Justus will again contest in the hurdles and long distance runs. Bro. Wertman will be a strong competitor in the weights. Bro. Conser is a fast man in the sprints and Bros. Buck and Ayars will enter for several events. In baseball Bro. Jansen is captain and manager of the team and will occupy his old position in the pitcher's box. With Bros. Andreen and Tipton in the outfield and Bros. Skinner, Ayars and Martin trying for the team, the chapter should take some honors in this line.

The senior class has decided on its commencement play; Bros. Scott and Andrew have leading parts and Bros. Hurd, Jansen and Ayars will be in the cast. The members of the class have been required during the year to deliver orations before the student body as part of the Friday morning chapel exercise and this will be made a custom during succeeding years.

The chapter joined with Illinois Delta in a banquet celebrating Alumni Day. The occasion was very profitable to all present. The annual dancing party is being arranged for and will be given during next month.

Galesburg, March 29, 1904.

FRANK C. AYARS.

ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

The resignation of Dr. Draper, president of the University of Illinois, has been accepted by the board of trustees. President Draper has been at the head of this institution for the last ten years and his careful and wise administration has shown itself in the growth and widening influence of the university. But when a call came from his native state, New York, to take the position of commissioner of Public Instruction, he felt it his duty to go. His treatment of the members of Illinois Eta has ever been kindly and just and we feel that in Dr. and Mrs. Draper we have steadfast friends.

The baseball season is just opening here and the prospects for a good team this year are bright. Three Phis, Bros. Hill, Rothgeb and J. Pope, are candidates for positions on the team. A series of practice games are being played with the Minneapolis American Association team and so far the two teams seem evenly matched. The schedule for the interfraternity baseball series has been arranged, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ playing $K\Sigma$ the first game. Our team will do its best to capture the pennant again this year. An interfraternity track meet is also to be held on April 23.

The University dramatic club presented "Miss Hobbs" on April 5 with remarkable success. Bro. Franklin was leading man and Bro. Tripp added much to the success by his efficient management. On Friday evening, April 15, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ will give a minstrel show, followed by a dance. Two members

of each of the other fraternities here have been invited to attend with their lady friends and we hope to give them a pleasant evening.

The plans for our new chapter house to be built this spring have been submitted to the chapter for inspection and are now being drawn up practically as they will stand. It is to be 65 feet wide by 44 feet deep, first story brick veneer and will accommodate 22 men. The estimated cost is between \$8,000 and \$9,000. The house is to be built on the corner of Green and Second streets on the two lots which Illinois Eta now owns. ΣX and $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ have bought the house which they have previously rented and $\Delta T \Delta$ and $A \Omega$ have purchased lots and are planning to build in the near future.

Champaign, April 11, 1904.

F. W. CUTLER.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

The members of the active chapter together with the alumni of Wisconsin Alpha are at present working very hard in view of securing a new chapter house for occupation by the chapter next fall. At the recent meeting of the Wisconsin Alpha chapter house association, March 19, it was decided to purchase the property directly opposite the present fraternity house. This has been done at a cost of \$10,000, and plans for a \$20,000 house are being secured for consideration by the association and the chapter. The transference of the house and lot now owned and occupied by the fraternity, to the former owner of the newly acquired property, has been secured, the sale price being a reasonable advance over the purchase price of the lot.

The new location is a most desirable one, having direct connection with Lake Mendota, and being several times larger than the old property. The surroundings also will be greatly improved, since ΣX has practically completed arrangements for the construction, during the coming summer, of a \$20,000 house on the adjoining lot. It is of the utmost importance that the fraternity secure its new lodge at least by the early part of the next college year, as the present quarters are entirely inadequate and prove a serious handicap in the rushing of new men.

The destruction by fire, February 27, of the state capitol building, which means a loss to the state of in the neighborhood of \$300,000, will undoubtedly prove a serious obstacle to the contemplated additions to the university grounds and buildings. An appropriation of \$100,000 has recently been made by the state for the construction of a new chemistry building, and this improvement is, of course, assured, but the large extension of the gymnasium and armory, and the acquisition of all that property which is at present owned by private parties and which constitutes the remaining part of the two blocks in which the gymnasium and the state historical library are situated, will probably have to be deferred for an indefinite period.

The faculty has already commenced preparations for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the university, which will take place during commencement week beginning June 1. In addition to the regular attractions for alumni, of commencement week, there is a movement on foot to secure for Madison during that time, the annual conference athletic meet, and there is some probability that the Cornell crew may come west to compete with the varsity eight on Lake Mendota. The Madison business men have volunteered to furnish \$10,000 toward defraying the expenses of "Jubilee Week," and every effort will be made to secure the attendance of the greater part of Wisconsin's alumni. In order to arouse further the enthusiasm of the student body, a banquet will be given in the near future which will be a strictly university affair.

The "Junior Prom," the principal social attraction of the college year, took place February 12, at the university armory. During the several days

immediately preceding and following this function, the various fraternities entertained their lady friends at house parties. There were several different entertainments during that time, among which was the amateur production of the play, "College Boy," by the Haresfoot dramatic club. This proved so successful that it will again be presented in the near future.

The number of active members is at present twenty-four. Bro. James B. Blake, '04, who is absent temporarily, is acting as substitute in the Latin department of the Winona Normal school, at Winona, Minnesota. Three of the brothers have been initiated into the law fraternity of $\Phi\Delta\Phi$. They are Earl B. Rose, Law, '05; Jesse E. Higbee, Law, '05; and D. S. Law, college of letters and science, '04, and Law, '06. Bro. H. G. Winslow, '04, and Bro. J. B. Blake, '04, have been initiated into the Iron Cross senior society. Bro. Earl B. Rose has been elected vice-commodore of the varsity crews, and Bros. H. C. Allen and C. E. Osborne, '06, have been elected respectively manager and captain of the sophomore baseball team.

The chapter has recently received word that Henry Holt and Co., New York, have in press a novel, "The Pursuit of Phyllis," by Bro. John Harwood Bacon, '97, of Milwaukee. The Holts are numbered among the best publishers and their imprint is considered a hallmark of excellence. Bro. Bacon while in college was prominent in literary and musical activities.

Madison, March 30, 1904.

WALTER I. SLEEP.

MINNESOTA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA.

Alumni Day brought together a large number of our alumni and many PIs from other colleges. The reunion and banquet was held in the Nicollet hotel, Minneapolis. The toasts were exceedingly well responded to and both the alumni and the active men received a new impetus in their work for the fraternity. Bro. H. L. Moore, Ohio Alpha, '77, gave a toast in eulogy of Governor Taft as an ideal man and citizen that was most profitable to all who were present. Bro. S. E. Mahan, Indiana, '69, who presided as toastmaster, was accorded a hearty round of applause when he said that he had been a member of Phi Delta Theta for thirty-eight years. The after-dinner program was interspersed with music and college songs and was terminated by a rousing chorus of "A Thousand Years, Phi Delta Theta."

The annual university circus came off March 4 and 5 and both the advertising and the show itself were in true circus style. The menagerie, the side show, the circus fakir, the band concert and even the lemonade man were all in evidence. The entire armory and gymnasium were appropriated for show purposes. Circus seats were built up on all sides, a huge tent raised, three rings constructed and the entire affair put through in a professional manner. Financially the affair was a great success and about \$500 was netted to the athletic association.

The Woman's League of the university held a huge carnival and fair in the armory this month, their object being to raise funds for the erection of a woman's building on the campus to be used for receptions, musicales, etc., and to furnish study rooms and parlors for use during the day time. Booths were erected about the hall representing the different seasons of the year, and the bunting decorations were in university and class colors. The glee and mandolin clubs, assisted by soloists and readers rendered a most delightful program. College ideas and college spirit were prevalent and gave to the entire show that college distinction which is so often lost in the social functions in college.

The faculty have made some radical changes in the courses of study for academic students, which will go into effect next year. The new course will

not give the usual Monday holiday, but make the school week consist of six days. The main object in this change is to reduce the size of the classes and give students more chance for receiving individual instruction, and a more nearly equal distribution of laboratory apparatus. After the freshman year all work will be elective, subject only to a few necessary restrictions against over-specialization. The present four hour a week courses will become three hour courses, with the exception of freshman mathematics and beginning languages which will be increased to five hours a week. Freshmen and sophomores cannot take less than fourteen or more than sixteen hours of work per week, while juniors and seniors must come between the limits of fifteen and eighteen hours.

A great deal of agitation is being given to the question of inaugurating the honor system in conducting examinations in all the college classes. Some of the large classes in the science department petitioned the faculty to be allowed to conduct their own examinations. They have elected student committees to have charge of all examinations and "cribbers" will be ostracized by their classmates instead of being occasionally caught and punished by the faculty. It is hoped by the student body in general that the system will be adopted in all departments, and prove as efficient as it has in some of the eastern colleges where it has been inaugurated.

Spring athletics are again in the ascendancy and unusual interest is being taken in them this year. A squad of seventy men has been at work in the baseball cage for several weeks and many promising candidates are being found who will give the veterans a lively chase for positions on the team. The team is fortunate this year in having as coach the veteran pitcher, Charlie Ferguson, of the St. Paul American league team. An excellent schedule of games has been arranged and there seems to be unusual interest in the great national game here, as well as at many of the other western colleges.

The track men have started light work in the gymnasium, and are confident of having a good team, as the new material is unusually fast and many of the veterans are back. Bro. Armstrong is a member of the team and is accounted to be one of the strongest quarter mile runners that Minnesota has ever had.

Tennis is having a great revival at Minnesota this year. A large association has been formed and a series of games arranged with other colleges.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bro. Lynn Stoughton Gilliam, of Luverne, Minn., a member of the freshman law class.

A number of high school rushing parties have been held at the chapter house during the winter and the following men from Central High School, Minneapolis have been pledged: Merton Sowle and Walter McDonald.

Minneapolis, April 5, 1904.

EDWARD C. PARKER.

MISSOURI BETA, WESTMINSTER COLLEGE.

Since our last letter the second semester has commenced, and with it came very few new men, hence a scarcity of fraternity material. We have pledged Mr. James L. Edwards, special, of Mexico, Missouri, which increases our number to 18; 16 active and 2 pledged.

Baseball season has opened under most favorable circumstances. Bro. Soule, third base, is captain and the team promises to be a good one. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is represented by Bro. Sevier, pitcher; Bro. Soule, third base; Bro. Seibert, centerfield, and Bro. Rice, substitute. Bro. Wilson, manager, has arranged an excellent schedule and a successful season is assured.

The staff of our annual, *The Blue Jay*, has been organized and we received the most important positions. Bro. Wilson is business manager, and Bro. Burch is editor-in-chief. Westminster's third annual gymnasium exhibition took place Friday night, March 15, at Pratt's opera house. This has become one of the principal features of the year and the manner in which the men acquitted themselves shows the efficiency of the gymnasium department.

The college mandolin club has been organized with Mr. James H. Bond, one of our pledges, as leader. Bros. Sevier, Hamacher, Nesbitt, and Soule are members of it.

We celebrated Alumni Day on the evening of March 25 by a smoker. A number of alumni were present and the occasion was a most enjoyable one.

Westminster is making efforts to put out a track team this year, although severely handicapped, owing to the fact that some of the men are on the baseball squad. The athletic association will arrange for an intercollegiate meet, and $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ will be well represented on the team.

The declamatory contest will be held some time in April. Bro. Wilson, who is president of the joint session of the Philologic and Philalethian literary societies, will represent us.

$B\Theta II$ and $K\Alpha$ are in prosperous condition, but $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ leads in nearly all college enterprises.

W. A. SOULE.

Fulton, April 1, 1904.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

With the beginning of the second term, February 15, Kansas Alpha lost two of her strongest members, Bro. Louis J. Flint, who is now at Purdue, and Bro. Walter G. Herrick, who is manager of a rice plantation at Angleton, Texas. On February 27, we initiated Bro. Frank H. Relihan and now introduce him to the fraternity.

Founders day was celebrated by an alumni banquet which proved a very enthusiastic meeting. About forty Phis and alumni were present, among them Bros. Robert G. Elliott, Indiana, '50; George E. Campbell, Ohio Wesleyan, '73; Wilbur C. Abbott, New York, '00; Mark Banta, Wisconsin, '00; and of Kansas, E. F. Caldwell, '85; W. E. Higgins, '88; Andrew Hudson, '98; John H. Outland, '90; Carl L. Cooper, '90; Frank Banks, '00; Chester Mize, '02; Eugene H. Ware, Jr., '02; and Jesse W. Heinecke, '03. Many appropriate toasts were given and the exercises lasted until late in the evening. The talk of Bro. Elliott, who was one of the founders of Indiana Alpha, the first chapter of Phi Delta Theta to receive a charter, and who was intimately acquainted with all of the founders of our fraternity, aroused the true Phi spirit and took us back to the time when Phi Delta Theta was young, instilling into every Phi present an added admiration and reverence for the early members, whose struggles made our fraternity possible. Bro. Elliott, who lives in Lawrence, is an early Kansas pioneer and holds a very prominent place in the history of the state.

The baseball season commences April 2 with a game against the Haskell Indians on the home grounds. A much better team than was expected has been developed and under the coaching of Mr. James Durham, who played with the Kansas City Blues last season, should make a fine showing in the excellent schedule which is booked. Bro. Sexton (Captain) is our only representative on the team. Practice for the inter-fraternity games has commenced and Kansas Alpha hopes to recover the cup lost last year to the Phi Psis. At an indoor track meet in Convention Hall at Kansas City on March 18, Missouri University defeated us by four points. The meet was a decided

success and will probably become an annual event as is the football game on Thanksgiving day.

An unsuccessful attempt was made recently by several members of Kappa Sigma to organize a crowd of petitioners. The introduction of another chapter is not favored by the fraternities already chartered here.

We wish to acknowledge the receipt of a number of circular letters.

Lawrence, March 23, 1904.

JOHN L. STARKIE.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Nebraska beat Wisconsin in an excellent game of basketball. A crowd of 250 witnessed the game. Baseball season is here again and the field is well filled with candidates.

On March 12 we held our annual banquet at the Lincoln hotel. Covers for fifty were laid. We had an excellent list of toasts from the old men. Bro. Stuart reported on our future chapter house which is to be built this summer. We will be the first to build our own house, although several fraternities have made reports that they were going to build, but their plans have never matured. All those who were present at the banquet reported that they had a fine time. A meeting like this once a year gives the alumni a chance to get back to school and be boys again.

We have a doctor at the house now. Doctor L. B. Pillsbury, Nebraska, '96, after taking several courses in hospitals and medical colleges in Denver and New York, has settled down in Lincoln. He pays us three visits a day at meal time.

Bro. White is business manager of *The Nebraska Engineer*, an annual publication gotten out by the engineering students. Bro. White was a charter member of the local engineering fraternity Sigma Tau.

Alpha Zeta, an agricultural fraternity, has been established here for a month.

Lincoln, March 28, 1904.

CHARLES STUART.

COLORADO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

Although hindered by late winter weather an active interest has been taken in field sports and baseball. Bro. Strayer, captain of the baseball team, is developing a fast team and the interstate championship is assured. Two practice games have been played against strong high school teams and the fast fielding and good batting displayed has proven the efficiency of the team.

The outlook for the track team is excellent and much good material is being developed. A great deal of interest is taken in the class games and class track meets.

The athletic field has been put in excellent condition and is by far the best in the state. The appearance of the campus has been very much improved by the change in the arrangement of the trees completing the original plan of the quadrangle.

The new addition to the engineering building has been completed and its equipment is modern in every respect.

The summer school of the university will be open from June 20 to July 30 and the healthful climate and attractive surroundings should attract a number of eastern students. A more pleasant and beneficial climate for an eastern student in poor health could not be found.

Bro. Stickney, '03, made a very pleasant visit with the chapter last month. He had just returned from California and reports an interesting trip.

Bro. Williams, Michigan, '03, Law, now practicing at Central City, Colo., visited us last week. LOUIS G. KELLER.
Boulder, April 1, 1904.

ETA PROVINCE.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

We have just completed our examinations of the second term and everybody has about recovered from the many surprises that naturally arise during such a period, and are back to work again for the third and last term.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bro. Claud P. Henry, '07, Yazoo City, Mississippi, who is a brother of W. A. Henry, one of our "old reliables."

Although the anti-fraternity men made a hard and persistent fight against the fraternities in the last legislature, the fraternity men won by an overwhelming majority.

Mississippi expects to have a good baseball team this season. Some good trips have been arranged. On the team we are represented by Bro. Frank L. Fair, who plays first base.

Bro. Henry has been elected one of the commencement speakers from the senior law class. O. L. KIMBROUGH.

University, March 26, 1904.

LOUISIANA ALPHA, TULANE UNIVERSITY.

College life at Tulane has been exceedingly busy during the past month. First came the final exams, then the reports, followed in rapid succession by Tulane night at the Tulane theatre and then came Founder's day. Founder's day occurs once a year and is usually celebrated in two parts. On the first day the students, faculty and community at large are entertained at Tulane theatre by speeches from the alumni, president of the university and an address from some eloquent speaker of the day. Bishop Galloway of Mississippi was the orator of the occasion, delivering a very good address on "20 Century Patriotism." On the following day the public are entertained by three departments of the university: academic, Newcomb and the medical. Newcomb furnishes refreshments and medical college arranges a program for the occasion. The feature of the program was the quartet led by Bro. J. H. Edmondson of Alabama. Bro. Edmondson's melodious voice attracted the applause of the fair sex to such an extent that he was forced to appear five or six times before the applause would cease. His mustache played a very prominent part.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bro. H. H. Hinton, '06, of Lumberton, Miss. Bro. W. H. Howcott has left college, and he is now taking a business course at Soule's Commercial College. Louisiana Alpha has enjoyed visits from several traveling Phis. Bro. Stien, of Mississippi Alpha, spent the carnival in New Orleans, and returned later on to help us initiate Bro. Hinton. Bro. Stien's advice and good-fellowship to Louisiana Alpha will be long appreciated by the chapter. Bro. Thomas Gilmore, '02, is back taking a law course. Bro. Crump, '04, is secretary of his class. Bros. Fortier, Nott and Crump are all honor men. Bro. Robinson, '06, is vice-president of the junior german club. Bro. Upton, medical, is editor of the *Phagocyte*, a medical magazine, Bro. Gessner, '95, being editor-in-chief. Bros. Robinson, Howcott and Denis are members of the Fox head, a freshman-sophomore society.

Baseball practice has begun and from the material gathered so far, Tulane bids fair to have a very strong team. A chapter of $\Phi\text{ B K}$ will be established at Tulane shortly. Professor B. P. Calwer announced that the application was favorably received and the charter would be granted at the next convention. There is a movement on foot at Tulane to establish a gymnasium. This important function of college life seems to have been entirely overlooked, however, the college has been reminded by the students and a movement is being made to remedy the oversight. The erection of a gymnasium would mean a new epoch in athletics, supplying a new phase of college life heretofore unknown at Tulane. J. HAMPTON LEWIS.

New Orleans, April 4 1904.

TEXAS GAMMA, SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

In Southwestern University, the early spring weather, which accompanies the entrance of the second term, assisted by the buoyant feeling caused by the disposal of intermediate examinations, serves as an exciter with increasing potential to the residual charge of "college spirit," which during the first term had been damped into a state of dormancy by the rule forbidding our participation in intercollegiate football.

Texas Gamma takes pleasure in presenting Bro. Hewitt Hobson Wheless, '07, who hails from Aldenbridge, La. Numerically the three fraternities rank as follows: K A 14; K Σ 14; $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ 16.

Lately the university has been the beneficiary of several valuable gifts, among which was the Pritchett Memorial Library, dedicated to the memory of Dr. Pritchett, and given by his sons to the general library.

The athletic association has paid off all its indebtedness and for the first time in several years is square with the world. We are members of the S. I. A. A., S. W. I. A. A. and the T. I. A. A., and are confident that we will win a place in the track meets of each of these associations this year. All three meet in Texas, the latter two meet jointly at A. & M. college on May 14; the southern meet is to be in Austin one week later. Capt. Aldredge, who won the 100 yards and 220 yards in the Texas meet last year, (breaking southern record in the last named event, and equaling it in the first) is working hard with a small but promising squad of men.

The baseball team opened the intercollegiate season by defeating A. & M. college by a score of 6 to 4. The confidence which is felt in the team is well founded, with Coach Switzer in charge of a squad of consistent hitters and fielders, to say nothing of possessing in Bro. Ables the best college pitcher in the south. Texas Gamma is further represented on the team by Bros. Wilcox, infield, and Graves, outfield, the latter being manager. The schedule for this year is very attractive and prospects for a winning team were never brighter. Another feature in athletics, by no means neglected, affords good chances for honors for the university in the coming state tennis tournaments. Bro. Ables will probably represent the school in the singles. Basketball is left in the hands of the co-eds. Their team defeated the Georgetown team in the only game played thus far.

The glee club, Bro. Kurth, manager, will give the grand final concert at home next week, and the week following will leave on its annual trip (the first one). $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is represented on the club and also on the university quartette, by Bros. Kurth and Graves.

This year's number of the annual, *The Sou'wester*, is now in the hands of the publishing company. On the staff are Bros. Webb, Cody and Cooper, editor-in-chief.

Texas Gamma will lose two men by graduation this year, Bros. Cody and Wilcox; the latter has just served a term as president of the Alamo society, and Bro. Cody has been elected president for the commencement term.

Kappa Alpha here looks very much improved after a fresh coat of paint and new interior furnishings.

We beg to acknowledge receipt of annual letters from several of the chapters. Ours is in the hands of the printer, and we hope to have it out soon.

IRELAND GRAVES.

Georgetown, April 1, 1904.

THETA PROVINCE.

CALIFORNIA BETA, LELAND STANFORD JUNIOR UNIVERSITY.

The university opened yesterday after a mid-semester recess of one week. Since our last letter there has been a re-adjustment of affairs with the striking stone-workmen, and work on the new buildings has been resumed. On March 15 the last arch of the outer quadrangle was completed. The keystone was set in place by the senior class president, and there were other appropriate exercises. The elaborate additions to the Florentine mosaic in the Memorial Church have also been completed quite recently.

The Carnot debate held in Berkley on February 26 was won by a representative of the university of California. The annual inter-collegiate debate will be held April 3, in San Francisco.

The first inter-collegiate baseball game of this series was held in Berkley on April 2, and resulted in a California victory by a score of 6 to 2. This score, we think, is not at all indicative of the relative strength of the two teams, and we have every confidence in our ability to win the second game of the series, which is to be played here on Saturday, April 9. There are four fraternity men on the team—one $\Sigma\text{ A E}$, one $Z\Psi Z\Psi$, and two Φis , Bros. Chalmers and Colbert.

An inter-fraternity baseball league was established early in the season. The winning team is to be awarded a handsome silver cup, to be kept by the team which shall have won it three times. The last game played left but three fraternities still contestant— $\Sigma\text{ A E}$, $\Delta\text{ K E}$ and $\Phi\Delta\Theta$.

On the 16th the annual track meet with the University of California will be held here. Last year's meet resulted in the first Stanford victory in the history of the event, and although we have lost by graduation or otherwise many of our best athletes, we have every prospect of success. On the morning of the same date the inter-collegiate tennis matches will be played. Bro. Hodge will play in the doubles and probably in the singles.

A rowing club has been formed this spring and will do much toward making rowing a permanent part of our athletic system. The boathouse on the lake has been fitted up with lockers, etc., and while the lake, owing to its small size, will never be adequate for the training of crews, it will serve to keep up an interest in the sport until we have a boathouse on the bay.

Stanford University, April 5, 1904. GEORGE DEF. BARNETT.

WASHINGTON ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

Our alumni banquet was held at the Hotel Washington on the evening of March 15 in conjunction with the local Φis in and about Seattle. There were about forty of us present and the banquet was one of the most enjoyable we have had so far. The toasts were as follows:

Toastmaster Daniel B. Trefethen, Massachusetts B., '98. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$'s Contribution to our Life Equipment, Clay Allen, Northwestern; Theta Province,

E. A. Garetson, California, '05; All for One, One for All, F. W. Hastings, Washington, '04; Washington Alpha, W. W. Phillips, Washington, '04, Sen. Johns B. Allen, G. R. Tenant, Washington, '03; Φ Δ Θ in the East; D. E. Twitchell, Washington, '05; The Glee Club, Prof. A. R. Priest, De Pauw; University of Washington, G. W. Millett, Washington, '06; Phi Taus, W. W. Blain, Washington, '02; Castles in Spain, F. E. Brightman, Washington, '03.

Easter vacation ends April 4 and then begins the last three months of this semester. Bro. Kirkman, '05, has left college to engage in business in Spokane. Bro. Al. Hastings, '02, has left to engage in business in Seattle. Bro. Kennedy, '07, leaves for Alaska the middle of this month.

Much interest has been taken lately in canoeing on the lake especially during the warm spring days. The fraternities are for the most part, owners of the canoes and it will not be long before there is quite a flotilla representing most of the chapters here.

DALBERT E. TWITCHELL.

Seattle, April 1, 1904.

ALUMNI CLUBS.

PROVIDENCE.

The annual meeting of the Phi Delta Club of Providence held on March 15 was, from the standpoint of enthusiasm and interest, one of the most successful in the history of the organization and was of a nature which plainly denotes the spirit of enterprise and the policy of advancement which will govern the club during the coming year. Throughout the evening there was one sentiment predominant above all others—the necessity for the pressing forward of the interests of Phi Delta Theta in Providence, and all of the members expressed the opinion that this should be the one object for which all should work before March 15 of next year.

Eight members of the club met in the early evening at the Hotel Newman, and it was a source of great enjoyment to those who attended to see again some of the men who have done so much for the fraternity in the past and who are as alive now as ever to the possibilities of the future. Shortly after 6 o'clock all of the members sat down to an excellent dinner which was served in a dining room reserved for the club, and for two hours there was nothing to do but talk over old college days and to eat, with an epicurean's delight, the many dishes which come with a Newman *table d'hôte*.

After the dinner this preliminary meeting was adjourned to Brunonia Hall, Brown University, where the more serious work of listening to and acting on reports and of determining new policies was attended to. President Clarence B. Gay, Brown, ex-'97, was in the chair. He called for the reports of officers which were read, and immediately afterwards came the election of officers for the coming year with the following results: president, Dr. W. B. Cutts, Pennsylvania, '99; secretary, T. J. Griffin, Jr., Brown, ex-'99; treasurer, C. C. White, Brown, '00; reporter, A. L. Philbrick, Brown, '03; executive committee, officers (ex-officio) C. E. Tilley, Amherst, '92; Frederic E. Carpenter, Brown, '89; and Arthur Cushing, Brown, '89.

A great many changes in the by-laws were proposed, and all of these suggestions will be acted upon at the next annual meeting. The changes had to do chiefly with the appointing of alumni speakers for the banquets of Rhode Island Alpha and also with the method of amending the by-laws. Bro. T. M. Phetteplace gave an interesting account of the advancement of the fraternity during the past year, and he spoke particularly of the work being done by other alumni clubs.

It was voted to appoint Bros. A. T. Swift and A. L. Philbrick as a committee to aid Rhode Island Alpha in preparing the alumni list in the chapter letter to be issued in February, 1905. A vote of thanks was extended to Rhode Island Alpha for the excellence of the material in the last chapter letter.

The meeting was marked throughout by enthusiasm and all of the members went away with resolves to arouse among Providence alumni a realization of the responsibility which the club bears. The executive committee has already made plans for several meetings and on account of the powers vested in it by the by-laws it will be able to do a vast amount of work, which, it is hoped, will contribute to the general prosperity of the entire national fraternity.

ARTHUR L. PHILBRICK.

Providence, March 23, 1904.

NEW YORK.

This from twenty-six different chapters from all over the country gathered at the Normandie hotel on February 24 to attend the first annual smoker of the New York alumni club. The notice of the affair was given only one week in advance, but nevertheless over sixty men were present.

The entertainment consisted of a number of vaudeville artists, music, singing and mimicry. Among the star features of the evening were extempore speeches by Bros. Lee Fairchild, Lombard, '86, Albert Shiels, C. C. N. Y., '86, and Charles Thaddeus Terry, Williams, '89-Columbia, '93. President Terry also made the announcement that a committee had been at work looking for a suitable house to be rented for a permanent home for the club. The scheme is to rent a house in the Fifth Avenue club district with an option of purchase and then to proceed to issue bonds and accumulate a surplus to pay off the mortgage on the house. Bro. George Chew Atkins, Columbia, '02, was appointed the active member of this committee and it is understood that a house has been found for the purposes of the club. It is intended to make this house the centre of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ activity in the Metropolis and to welcome any foreign Phi who may come to New York on business, pleasure or otherwise.

The exercises at the smoker lasted until a late hour and the affair was thoroughly successful. The several chapters were represented in numbers as follows: Columbia, 20; Williams and C. C. N. Y., 4 each; Cornell and Vermont, 3 each; Illinois, Lombard, Purdue, Colby, Mississippi, Ohio State and DePauw, 2 each and one each from the following institutions: Hanover, Alabama, Wabash, Amherst, Nebraska, Dartmouth, Union, Wooster, Ohio Wesleyan, Miami, Washington State, Vanderbilt and Sewanee. Among the This present were the following:

Columbia—Charles Thaddeus Terry, '02; Edward William Libaire, '04; Oscar Weeks Ehrhorn, '98; Richard Gordon Simpson, '90; Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, '90; Herman Simon Siederer, '02; Charles Christian Lieb, '00; George Chew Atkins, '02; Walter Adams Johnson, '01; Jean Cook Caldwell, '03; Max Hardman, '05; James Garrett Wallace, Jr., '05; Edwin Hoyt Updike, '04; Franklin Kennedy Sprague, '05; Eugene Ashley, '04; Webster Lance Benham, '04; Clarence Campbell, '04; Ralph Bailey Schoonmaker, '06; John Tonelle, Jr., '05; and John Miller, '06. Williams—Rev. Edward Niles, '01; J. M. Ross, '01; William Rowe Conklin, '00; and Charles Thaddeus Terry, '80. College of the City of New York—Albert Shiels, '86; George Lounsbury Walker, '00; Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, '88; and Edward William Libaire, '92. Cornell—Dudley Returned Horton, '75; Dio Lewis Holbrook, '02; and Clarence Blyler Kugler, Jr., '03. Vermont—Dr. Marshall Avery Howe, '00; Joel Allen, '02; and Frederick Fuller

Lincoln, '07. Ohio State—Charles Albert Winter, '87; and Walter Conger Harris, '93. Colby—Richard Alston Metcalf, '86; and David Jacques Gallart, '93. Mississippi—William Henry Lee, '91; and Lamar Hardy, '98. Illinois—Conrad Frederick Kruse, '97; and Manley Earle Chester, '97. Lombard—Gen. Lee Fairchild, '86; and Walter Adams Johnson, '01. DePauw—Charles Hedding Rice, '87; and Bernard Vickery Moore, '01. Purdue—Robert E. Laidlaw, '98; and William Laidlaw Russell, '03. Amherst—Archibald Hall Sharp, '99. Nebraska—John Dearborn Hastie, '99. Dartmouth—LeBaron Monroe Huntington, '08. Union—Robert Calvin Gambee, '99. Ohio Wesleyan—Charles Albert Winter, '87. Wooster—Charles Kynett Carpenter, '89. Miami—Walter Conger Harris, '91. Washington State—Max Hardman, '01. Vanderbilt—Lamar Hardy, '00. Sewanee—William Lowry Gillette, '00. Alabama—James Sidney Stillman. Hanover—Harry Aaron Marks, '92. Wabash—Frank Porter McNutt, '91.

The committee in charge of the smoker was composed of Charles Thaddeus Terry, Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, Frederick Fuller Lincoln and Bernard Morris Lee Ernst. A report of our dinner on alumni day will be furnished later.

B. M. L. ERNST.

New York, March 26, 1904.

The New York *Sun* of March 16 contained the following interesting report of the celebration of Alumni Day by the New York Alumni club:

"The Phi Delta Theta fraternity had its annual Founders' Day dinner last night at the Hotel Manhattan. It had been the hope of the Phi Delta Theta Club in this city to illustrate the tie that binds its members together by having the company addressed by a Japanese and a Russian.

These telegrams dispelled that hope:

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.

Business prevents my attending tonight. Compliments to Brother Jap.
Am not running away.

NICHOLAS STROTSKY.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Regret not to be present. Ordered home.

YASKAWA.

It was announced at the dinner by the toastmaster, Prof. Charles Thaddeus Terry, that the site of the club house with which the club is to felicitate itself will be selected within two months.

A report was read which mentioned two houses, one in West Forty-third street and one in West Forty-fifth street, which the society could get for a term of years with a privilege of a long lease or purchase at the end of that time. The news that the club was soon to have a home was received with the greatest enthusiasm.

Justice Sulus M. Mayer, an enthusiastic member of the fraternity, owned up that he wasn't so enthusiastic but that he had taken action to have Bro. Alderman Ware turned down in his fight for his assembly district leadership in favor of Alexander T. Mason, an outsider. Bro. Ware at once shouted:

"I move that we expel Mayer."

"From the fraternity or from the organization?" asked the speaker sweetly.

"From both!" responded the alderman, laughing.

Max Hardman, who addressed the club on behalf of the active members at Columbia, told of a negro who looked over a stock of razors and took a great fancy to a pearl handled razor. When he learned that it cost \$4.50 he rejected it, saying sadly:

"Dat's too much, boss, even ef I did want it stric'ly fo' social purposes."

Mr. Hardman said that at present Phi Delta Theta was strong in its social

usefulness to brethren. He pointed out that there were eight members of the active chapter present.

This was because that chapter held that a freshman's clothes were his merely that he might have the privilege of lending them to upper class members. If there had been more than eight dress shirts among the freshman delegation of the Columbia chapter, he said, more upper classmen would have been present.

Dean George W. Kirchway of the Columbia University Law School set forth his opinion that the colleges of today are the breeding places and the preservers of idealism in modern life. No stiffening of the curriculum and no letting down of the bars could destroy idealism, he said, so long as a great body of young men were gathered together in the colleges to keep it alive.

Lee Fairchild, entitled "General" on the toast list, explained how he won his title on the dread fields of campaign spellbinding. He also contributed this academic epigram.

"The small college is as likely to turn out a big man as the university is likely to turn out a small man."

Mr. Fairchild closed the speaking with a fervent appeal for temperance among the younger men of this generation.

City Attorney Winslow also spoke, principally in derogation of the presence of ex-Justice Mayer. He said he never would have come had he known he was to be subjected to one of Justice Mayer's speeches, but he had been led to believe that Mayer had promised to go to a St. Patrick's day dinner last night.

Toastmaster Terry explained that Justice Mayer had discovered that the Irish were one of the lost tribes of Israel and that his promise to go to the St. Patrick's day dinner, which is to be on Thursday, was based on that discovery."

SCHENECTADY.

Our usual Alumni Day celebration was a very quiet affair for several reasons. Bro. Walter L. Lawton, '94, president of the Schenectady club, lost his little girl, just prior to our proposed meeting, and that sad fact coupled with the loss of several of our foremost members, made our meeting a somewhat poorly attended gathering. However, there was plenty of good Phi spirit evident, and our enthusiasm has in no way abated. The absence of Bro. J. E. Swanker, formerly treasurer of the club, and manager of the Empire Bridge Company at Albany, N. Y., and now manager of the Tee-side Bridge Company at Middlesborough, England, was especially regretted. Bro. Swunker was a most popular and painstaking officer, and he is greatly missed.

The report of Bro. W. E. Hays, secretary and acting treasurer, showed a balance on the right side and a flattering increase in interest among our alumni in our new house plan. Progress is necessarily slow, especially as our chapter is rather young and most of our men have their own ways to make. Still we see no reason why we should not be in a position to build, providing our plans continue to prosper, inside of two or three years.

The directors elected for the year 1904-1905 are Bros. Conover, '89; E. G. Blessing, '94; Burgin, '95; West, '96; L. M. Scofield, '97; Ripley, '00, and W. E. Hays, '02. The officers are: president, Bro. Burgin; vice-president, Bro. West; secretary and reporter, Bro. W. E. Hays; treasurer, Bro. E. G. Blessing.

Another circular letter similar to the one issued last year will be drawn up tomorrow night at a meeting of the board of directors and sent out to the

alumni, stating our present resources and our future plans. The treasurer of Union College, as stated in our letter last year, will loan us a sufficient sum when we wish it, to complete our fund for building.

Those present at the meeting were: Bros. Conover, '89; C. W. Blessing, '88; E. G. Blessing, '94; Burgin, '95; West, '96; Ripley, '00; Willis, '03; A. E. Bishop, '03; Hawn, '03; Grout, '02, and W. E. Hays, '02, in addition to the members of the active chapter. During the past year the chapter has expended considerable money on furnishings, and with one or two exceptions, there is not a better furnished fraternity home on the hill.

The reporter during the past year has learned of the decease of Bro. Frederick W. Skinner, '86, one of the founders of New York Beta chapter. Bro. Skinner died of pelvic cancer, at Los Angeles, California, on March 16, 1902. *In coelo quies est.*

WALTER E. HAYS.

Albany, N. Y., March 28, 1904.

PITTSBURGH.

The Hotel Henry again furnished a very substantial and satisfying repast to some of the members of the Pittsburgh Alumni Club on Tuesday evening, March 15.

Every year the annual dinner becomes more enjoyable. The only drawback seems to be that it is impossible to get more than forty there. We missed many of the familiar faces of the past few years, but were pleased to see a great many new ones. Perhaps next year we shall be able to get the regular ones back, keep the new ones of this year, and add some others.

Joseph R. McQuaide, Esq., occupied the chair as toastmaster, and his witty remarks and felicitous introductions were enjoyed by all present. K. C. Randall, Nebraska, '97, told of the "Duties of an Alumnus to his Chapter." Horace W. Davis, an active member of Pennsylvania Gamma Chapter, at W. & J. informed us of the pranks of "Phis in College." J. P. Fife, Esq., Leland Stanford, spoke on the subject, "The Professional Phi." "Chapter Houses," by Richard Hardy, of University of Michigan, '91, was well worth hearing. Harrison Bock, Esq., was to have enlightened us upon "Expectations of the Atlanta Convention," but sickness prevented his being present. Few of the "other boy orators" who gathered around the table and partook of the excellent menu missed being called upon to add something to the pleasure of the evening.

After the eating and toasting, the election of officers for the ensuing year took place. S. H. McKee, president; J. A. Metz, secretary and treasurer, and T. Chalmers Duff, reporter, were unanimously re-elected. P. B. Straub, Richard Hardy and J. P. Fife were appointed on the dinner committee for next year.

T. Chalmers Duff was elected delegate to the Atlanta convention and P. B. Straub, alternate.

Those present were as follows: J. G. Cook, W. & J.; E. H. Beazell, Lehigh; H. R. Bickle, Lehigh; T. C. Duff, W. & J.; C. H. Miller, Michigan; A. H. Anthony, Case; S. S. Baker, W. & J.; C. C. Howard, Allegheny; S. H. McKee, Monmouth; F. B. Minor, Allegheny; G. A. Chalfant, Lafayette; C. P. Wagoner, Lehigh; J. A. Pierce, Lafayette; Richard Hardy, Michigan; Samuel Dille, W. & J.; M. Hoke Gottschall, Dickinson; P. B. Straub, Lehigh; J. P. Fife, Leland Stanford; K. C. Randall, Nebraska; R. E. Renz, Case; J. P. Blackburn, W. & J.; Walter J. Bickel, Gettysburg; W. M. Vandersluis, Michigan; R. R. McCloy, Michigan; Geo. Johnson, W. & J.; J. G. Houston, Colorado; Joseph R. McQuaide, W. & J.; W. J. McQuaide, W. & J.; C. C. Campbell, Allegheny; J. Clark Logan, W. & J.,

and J. R. Bailey, H. W. Davis, E. M. McElroy, E. T. McIntosh and C. T. Stockton, of the active chapter at Washington and Jefferson.

Pittsburgh, March 22, 1904.

T. CHALMERS DUFF.

PHILADELPHIA.

The Philadelphia alumni club in conjunction with the Pennsylvania Zeta Chapter held its annual dinner on March 15 at the Hotel Bellevue. The dinner was a great success. About eighty men were present, being principally of course alumni of the Pennsylvania Zeta Chapter of the University of Pennsylvania, although there was a large representation of men from various other chapters in the east.

Bro. J. Clark Moore, Jr., ex-P. G. C., acted as toastmaster. There were no formal speeches made but a large number of impromptu toasts responded to. Bro. James C. McReynolds, assistant attorney general of the United States, was to have been the guest of honor, but unfortunately, the illness of a member of his family prevented his attendance, to the great regret of all present.

In every way the dinner was the most successful that has been held in Philadelphia, and will do much toward reviving fraternity interests in Philadelphia. To Bro. H. C. Burr is entitled most of the credit for the success of the dinner as he took entire charge of all the arrangements, and it was due to his energetic canvassing that so large a number turned out.

Philadelphia, April 11, 1904.

C. MALONEY.

WASHINGTON.

Alumni Day was celebrated by the Washington alumni club with a flourish on Tuesday evening, March 15, at the Riggs House. Seldom has there been such a large attendance at an alumni banquet in this city, and never did the prospect for a happy year appear so bright.

Bro. Edwin M. Hasbrouck, president of the club, and Bro. Claude N. Bennett, president of the Congressional Information Bureau, toastmaster, had everything their way. Needless to say it was a success. Everyone joined Bro. Bennett when he paraphrased the words of Richard of old by saying:

"He that shall live through this feast and reach old age,
Yearly on the vigil feast to his friends will say:
'Tomorrow is Alumni Day.'

Be some of us ne'er so wicked, this day shall gentle our conditions,
And Phis at home now a-bed shall think themselves accursed they
were not here."

Of course "The Women" was down for the first toast. Bro. Compton did it in grand style and so impressively that Bro. Hasbrouck was moved to suggest next year the wives and sweethearts be permitted to join in the celebration of Alumni Day.

The other toasts: "Sir William," Bro. Rommel; "College Days," Bro. Barnard; "The Bond," Bro. Austin; "The Smoot Case and Phis," Bro. Hasbrouck. Those were all the "set" toasts, but Bro. Bennett kept the boys talking until 2 o'clock and everybody was called upon.

The officers elected follow: Ralph P. Barnard, president; Claude N. Bennett, vice-President; William N. Compton, secretary; George M. Rommel, treasurer; Carl D. Sheppard, reporter.

With the exception of Union, no college had two representatives at the banquet. The Bond is the same throughout the land and everybody was as happy as at an initiation. Those in attendance were: Isaac R. Hitt, Jr., Northwestern, '88; George M. Rommel, Iowa Wesleyan, '97; Albert R.

Dyer, Lawrence, '59; H. F. Hall, Michigan Agricultural, '90; C. J. Groseclose, Roanoke, '82; Carl D. Sheppard, Ohio, '02; Ralph P. Barnard, Lehigh, '89; Gilbert J. Woolworth, Union, '02; Edwin M. Hasbrouck, Syracuse, '00; James Irwin Gayetty, Union, '99; George P. Chase, University of Pennsylvania, '95; Walter O. Woods, University of Kentucky, '94; Wallace K. Stansell, University of Georgia, '85; Claude N. Bennett, Emory, '88; Tracy L. Jeffords, Vermont, '86; William N. Compton, Alabama, '88; Fred H. Austin, University of Missouri, '92; E. F. Pickford, Union, '92; P. L. Hodges, Indiana, '05.

Letters of regret were read from: Representatives J. M. Griggs, of Georgia; J. M. Brantley, of Georgia; William M. Howard, of Georgia; Gen. Charles H. Grosvenor, of Ohio; Graff, of Illinois; Prince, of Illinois; Hadwick, of Georgia, and Russell, of Texas, and Senator Joseph C. Blackburn, of Kentucky.

Φ Δ Θ has been the foremost factor in the organization of the new university club in Washington. In fact Bro. Hitt and Bro. Barnard come very near being the co-fathers of the club, which, with its 600 members and 200 more on the waiting list, exceeds any similar organization in the country. Bro. Hitt is now assistant secretary of the permanent organization and Bros. Barnard and Chase have places on important committees. All were on the committees which guided the endeavors at organization. In all eighteen This are in the club. The present plan is to rent a hotel or suitable house in a desirable section of the city for a home until one can be built.

Washington, March 19, 1904.

CARL D. SHEPPARD.

RICHMOND, VA.

The Richmond alumni club observed Alumni Day by its twenty-fifth annual re-union and dinner, which was held Tuesday evening, March 15, in Rueger's private dining room.

I say *twenty-fifth* re-union, because it is a fact which may be of interest to some, and was not known to the writer until recently, that this is next to the oldest alumni club of our fraternity, its charter having been granted May 18, 1878, as "Virginia Alpha Alumni," that of Indiana Alpha at Franklin, Indiana, being the oldest.

The committee in charge of the arrangements consisted of John P. Lea, Frank W. Minor and Harry L. Watson. A large vase of white carnations adorned the centre of the table, and a neat menu card and toast list, containing also a full list of our resident alumni, was at each plate.

After one of Rueger's most inviting menus had been partaken of, President George Bryan, who presided as toastmaster in that graceful and happy style for which he is noted, announced the general topic for discussion: "Phi Delta Theta's Contribution to our Life Equipment," and called on those to whom had been assigned the responses thereto. Rev. Thos. Met. Simpson, D. D., Randolph-Macon, '77, who has recently come to Richmond as pastor of the Clay St. M. E. Church, and who was our honored guest of the evening, responded on behalf of "The Ministry." Bro. Simpson spoke in eloquent and touching language of his great pleasure in the privilege of again attending a Phi gathering, after so many years; of his pleasant recollections of college and fraternity life, and of the high Christian character and subsequent career of some of those with whom he had been associated in the Bond of Φ Δ Θ.

Hon. Conway R. Sands, Richmond, '81, in responding to "The Bench and Bar," referred to the names of the distinguished This who have filled the presidential chair, occupied seats in the cabinet and upon the bench, and otherwise reflected credit upon the legal profession.

In the absence of Dr. Wm. S. Gordon, Bro. Clifton M. Miller, Richmond, '90, was called upon to speak for "The Medical Profession," and in response to some of the good natured thrusts at the doctors by the toastmaster (a lawyer), Bro. Miller easily held his own, if indeed, he did not come off best in the discussion.

Bro. Robert L. Powers, Virginia, '84, responded for "The Business World" in an appropriate manner, and Malvern C. Patterson, Virginia, '84, secretary and treasurer of the R. A. Patterson Tobacco Co., gave a brief talk along the same lines.

The writer, who had the honor of responding to "Robert Morrison—The Author of Our Bond," after a toast drunk in silence and with water, read in full that unalterable and imperishable instrument upon which our union is founded, and then attempted a brief sketch of the life and great work of our founder, whose birthday we honor in the observance of Alumni Day, and to whom we are indebted for the Bond which binds us together.

Dr. Greer Baughman, Virginia, '93, who without previous notice was called upon to respond to "Sweethearts and Wives" proved himself fully equal to his theme, as he spoke with the hopeful and confident manner of one who, ere this is published, expects to make his sweetheart his wife.

A brief business session was held afterwards at which the same spirit of fun and good fellowship prevailed, and the following officers were elected: president, George Bryan, vice-president, Edward P. Valentine, secretary, B. Pollard Cardozo, Richmond, '07, treasurer, Jno. P. Lea, Virginia, '09, reporter, H. L. Watson. The president was also authorized to appoint an executive committee consisting of five to be named hereafter.

We feel greatly encouraged at the success of our meeting, and especially the enthusiasm displayed by the older Phis present. Every indication points to a still larger increase of attendance next year.

Those present, besides the names already mentioned were: John A. Lancaster, Virginia, '80; Bernard R. Guest, and Edward P. Valentine, Virginia, '84; William A. Chambers, Virginia Military Institute, '82; Frank W. Minor, Randolph-Macon, '03; Dr. Matt. O. Burke, Georgia, '87; Dr. Frank W. Upshur, Richmond, '95; Wins. F. Wilson, Richmond, '96; M. Pierce Rucker, Randolph-Macon, '00; and Hugh S. Blakeney, '04, of Randolph-Macon, our nearest active chapter.

HARRY L. WATSON.

Richmond, March 19, 1904.

CINCINNATI.

At this period in the history of the University of Cincinnati, when the new president, the first to assume that office under auspicious circumstances, is about to take up his duties, the alumni of Ohio Theta and the other alumni Phis of this city are gratified to note that the chapter's growth in the past and especially during the past year has been such that it will enter into the new era at the university fully the equal of any of its older rivals. It seems that the chapter members are very prominently represented in every university movement with which the "frats" identify themselves. The chapter has by frequent invitations to the alumni maintained and increased their interest in its welfare, as was proved by the spirit that dominated the annual meeting on March 15, on which occasion also, the splendid showing of the chapter membership caused most favorable comment to be passed among the alumni. The latter are anxious to assist the chapter in properly presenting their invitation to Delta Province to hold its next convention in Cincinnati, and therefore elected Bro. Scott Bonham, Ohio Beta, '82, who is also a trustee of Ohio Wesleyan University and an ex-president of the province, as the alumni delegate to the Delta Province con-

vention to be held at Delaware next month. An event that should attract the attention of every Phi around this vicinity is the proposed pan-hellenic banquet to President-elect Dabney, which is to include resident members of all fraternities irrespective of representation by an active chapter at the university. It is thought that there are fully one thousand "Greeks" living in or near Cincinnati. From the comment I have had opportunity to hear it seems that the stand apparently taken by the active chapter in its annual letter regarding the presidency of the university, does not reflect the undivided sentiment of the alumni, who share the public confidence in the board of trustees. In fact it seems that that part of the chapter's letter represents an individual committee's views, which somehow escaped the chapter's censorship. On the other hand, the utterance bespeaks the creditable sentiment of loyalty harbored by students, in the past, for the head of the institution.

The past year has seen two eminent local Phis, Judge J. B. Swing and Judge Wm. McI. Shaw, elevated to the bench. Arrangements were made for a smoker to be given by Cincinnati Phis in their honor last November, but as illness of both guests of honor prevented their attendance there, the annual meeting just held on March 15 was substituted as the occasion of special honor to them. Unfortunately Judge Shaw was again unable to be present. Judge Elam Fisher, of Eaton, Ohio, who has been on the bench for some years and who was to speak a "Wise Word to the Newcomers," also disappointed us, as did likewise Bro. R. M. Allen, of Lexington, who had "orated" himself in true Kentucky style in the hearts of local Phis at the 1903 dinner. D. D. Woodmansee, Ohio Beta, '84, and others were called upon to fill their places on the toast list by Dr. A. B. Thrasher, who acted as toastmaster.

That the Cincinnati alumni are taking an active interest in the general fraternity work and are keeping abreast of the times was proved by the "boom" started by Bro. Bonham for Bro. Ruick of Indianapolis, in that he introduced a resolution which was passed by acclamation, to the effect that Bro. Ruick be the choice of the Cincinnati Phis for S. G. C. at the Atlanta convention, where the Cincinnati alumni expect to be well represented.

The following letters from out of town Phis and also local brothers who could not attend were received: J. E. Brown, P. G. C.; F. J. R. Mitchell, S. G. C.; A. M. McCrillis, H. G. C.; Alston Ellis, president Ohio University, C. S. Hoskinson, president Delta Province, Hugh Th. Miller, Samuel McCune, Athens, Ohio; Peyton Bethel, of Louisville, and W. R. Sprague, of Portsmouth. Those attending, in addition to those already mentioned, were Dr. K. O. Foltz, S. J. Flickinger, W. H. Fillmore, Robert Peck, N. C. D. Murray, O. W. Lange, S. A. McGill, E. Schlemmer; and of the active chapter, Oscar Reemelin, Howard Holdridge, B. McGill, Curtis Williams, Carl Vogeler, Fred K. Wehner, Walter Marrs, William Clark, Ed. Pfleuger, Clarence and Erwin Bahlman, Calvin Vos, H. C. Fetsch, A. T. Kreimer, and E. O. Schroetter.

The next official meeting of the alumni club will probably occur in the fall, though it has been proposed to set aside definitely one night each month for informal gatherings. Among prominent out of town Phi visitors in Cincinnati recently were W. B. Palmer and H. H. Ward.

Cincinnati, April 6, 1904.

GUIDO GORES.

NASHVILLE.

The alumni club of Nashville, Tennessee, gave a banquet at the University Club in celebration of Alumni Day, March 15.

The table was placed in one of the large private dining rooms and artistically decorated in the fraternity colors, argent and azure. Brother Alfred E. Howell, president of the alumni club, acted as toastmaster.

Prominent among the many enthusiastic speeches of the evening, were those of Bros. John H. DeWitt, Claude Waller, A. E. Howell and Thomas C. Hindman. After coffee and cigars, the following officers were elected for the coming year: Alfred E. Howell, president; John H. DeWitt, vice-president, and Stuart C. Pilcher, secretary.

Those present were: Charles W. Caldwell, Moses H. Bonner, Mortimer H. Richardson, Joseph West, Allison Buntin, John H. DeWitt, Thomas C. Hindman, Alfred E. Howell, John A. Wilson, Eugene Harris, E. F. Enslen, Larkin Smith, J. M. Zarecor and Stuart C. Pilcher.

Nashville, April 4, 1904.

STUART C. PILCHER.

CLEVELAND.

The annual dinner of the Cleveland alumni club was held on the evening of March 15 at the joint home of the club and Ohio Eta. Twenty-seven alumni, and sixteen members of the active chapter were present.

After discussion of a seven course menu of good things served by caterer Demarest, the following toasts were responded to, Bro. C. L. Gates, Ohio Beta, '98, acting as toastmaster:

"Our Founders," J. B. Ballou, Ohio Delta, '97, T. G. C., H. H. Ward, Ohio Zeta, '90; "Days of Yore," Carl H. Henry, Buchtel, '91; "The Active Chapter," G. Case, Ohio Eta, '04; "Wet and Dry Toast," J. C. Royon, Ohio Zeta, '02; "Any Old Toast," J. H. Byrly, Ohio Eta, '95; "The Ladies," G. K. Shurtliff, New York Epsilon, '83; "The Bond, R. M. Calfee, Virginia Alpha, '93.

Bro. J. B. Ballou, T. G. C., was the guest of honor; he was heartily greeted on every hand, this practically being his first appearance in public after a severe attack of fever.

Bro. Gates, president of the club, presided at the business meeting which immediately followed the banquet. A committee was appointed to draft resolutions on the untimely death of Brother W. J. Erdman, Ohio Zeta, '99.

Bro. Barnes as chairman of the committee on furnishing the alumni room, suggested in his report that flags of the various colleges representing the club, be hung in the alumni room. This suggestion met with hearty approval. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: president, V. E. Barnes; vice-president and reporter, O. F. French; secretary and treasurer, J. C. Royon; historian, E. W. Farwell; warden, C. L. Gates; chaplain, Rev. Carl F. Henry.

At this point the active chapter extended a cordial invitation to the alumni to gather at the chapter house on the last Saturday evening of each month for a smoker. The invitation was enthusiastically received with assurance by many that it would be accepted.

Bro. Skeel was unanimously chosen as delegate to the province convention to be held this spring, as was Brother Calfee as delegate to the national convention to be held at Atlanta in November.

Bros. Barnes and Briggs, committee in charge, deserve much praise for the success of the evenings entertainment.

O. F. FRENCH.

Cleveland, April 7, 1904.

ATHENS, OHIO.

The Athens Alumni Club of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ together with the active chapter, including the pledged men, met at the Berry at 7 o'clock on the evening of March 15, as is customary annually.

Unfortunately the larger part of the alumni were out of the city or otherwise detained, so that the attendance was unusually small. Ohio Gamma was unanimously present, however, and the evening was very pleasantly and

profitably spent. After dinner was served, letters were read from various brothers, namely: C. S. Hoskinson, president Delta Province; E. C. Brown, Ohio Beta, '04; J. Milton Zang, Ohio Gamma, '03; the Alumni Commission of the Board of Trustees, and several others.

Officers for the year were elected—Dr. J. M. Higgins, Ohio Gamma, '87, being the new president, and Floyd E. Coultrap, Ohio Gamma, '03, the new secretary.

A delegate from the alumni club to the Delta Province Convention to be held at Delaware on May 12, 13 and 14, was chosen in the person of Floyd E. Coultrap, with I. M. Foster as alternate.

Many matters were discussed along with the story telling and relating of college experiences, the most important of which was the death of our late brother Wm. E. Bundy, Ohio Gamma, '86, who died at his apartments in Cincinnati last summer. Incidents in his life were recalled to memory by those who knew him as a fellow student in old Ohio University, and those who knew him only as a man and a loyal alumnus of both college and fraternity. Upon motion by Bro. A. E. Price, Ohio Gamma, '88, that a committee be selected to draw up resolutions to the memory of our late Bro. Bundy, consent was unanimously expressed as indicated by the silent rising to the feet of all present. Bros. I. M. Foster and J. M. Higgins constitute this committee. The resolutions are to be recorded as part of the minutes of the evening.

These meetings of the alumni with the active chapter are such enjoyable occasions that it has been suggested that they take place more frequently. The suggestion is certainly good and it is hoped that it will be carried out.

If consistent with the other arrangements of the joint Commencement and Home Coming week exercises in June, a big stag meeting and banquet of Phis will be arranged for. Owing to the multiplicity of engagements for that week already arranged such a meeting will likely be impossible, but it would certainly be a novel and most enjoyable occasion.

The Athens Alumni Club hopes to greet scores of Phis in June.

Athens, March 25, 1904.

FLOYD E. COULTRAP.

CHICAGO.

Alumni Day was enthusiastically celebrated in Chicago. No less than 155 Phis gathered together at the Sherman House on the evening of March 15 to do honor to their fraternity, the occasion being the annual banquet of the Phi Delta Theta club. This is more than twice as many Phis as have ever before assembled in this city, the largest number ever attending a previous dinner being 65. Chicago Phis can even boast of having given one of the largest banquets in the history of the fraternity. It has been surpassed in point of attendance only by the convention banquets at Louisville and New York and by the annual dinner of the New York Club in 1901 when there were 174 present, and in 1902 when 181 attended. The active chapters from the University of Chicago and Northwestern University were on hand, each about 20 strong, together with a large representation of the alumni of each of the local institutions.

The selection of a toastmaster was most felicitous. The gentleman who filled the position was Frederick A. Smith, Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County. Judge Smith in his remarks expressed the belief that the reason he was called upon to act as toastmaster was because it was generally known that he could not make a speech and would not try to. The fact that the Judge is invariably called upon for a toast at Phi banquets in Chicago is sufficient evidence that Chicago Phis do not agree with him regarding the question of his ability to make a speech. However, the particular element

in the make-up of this eminent Phi which makes him an ideal toastmaster is his unfailing loyalty to Phi Delta Theta.

The following Phis were on the program to respond to toasts: Adlai E. Stevenson, Centre, '60; James S. Ewing, Centre, '58; Christian C. Kohlsaat, Chicago, '67; John Edwin Brown, Ohio Wesleyan, '84; Henry M. Kidder, Northwestern, '50; Groyn Garnett, Chicago, '67; Orrington C. Foster, Northwestern, '62; William S. Harbert, Wabash, '67; George Banta, Indiana, '76; W. E. Higbee, Illinois Wesleyan, '83; Frank Pixley, Buchtel, '91; Robert T. Haines, Missouri, '80; William Otis Wilson, Chicago, '97; Hoyt King, Indiana, '92; Frederick L. Davies, Cornell, '98; James H. Wilkerson, DePauw.

There was general disappointment felt when letters and telegrams of regret were read from Bros. Stevenson, Ewing, Kidder and Banta, all of whom had accepted invitations and would have been present had unforeseen circumstances not prevented. Bro. Wm. F. Vilas, Wisconsin, '58, Ex-Senator from Wisconsin, and Bro. Edwin Fawcett, Bishop of the Diocese of Quincy, had also been tendered invitations, but were compelled to decline. Bro. Robert T. Haines, who is leading men with Blanche Bates in "The Darling of the Gods," which was being played in the city at the time, was present in the early part of the evening, but was unable to remain for the dinner.

The first speaker of the evening and the guest of honor, whose presence was the source of much gratification to Chicago Phis was Bro. John Edwin Brown, P. G. C. He was followed by Bro. Orrington C. Foster. Other Phi who responded were: William O. Wilson, Chicago, '97; W. E. Higbee, Illinois Wesleyan, '83; Hoyt King, Indiana, '92; J. F. Gookins, Wabash, '64; David M. Hellis, Butler, '64; and F. J. R. Mitchell, S. G. C.

At intervals between toasts the following musical program was rendered: mandolin, Ira J. Owen, Cornell, '03; vocal, William E. Godso, Chicago, '03; violin, Thomas L. Todd, Chicago, '07; ragtime melodies, Walter F. Egge-meyer, Chicago, '05.

A motion was carried that the secretary be instructed to send by telegram greetings and congratulations of the 155 Phis present to Bro. John Wolfe Lindley, Fredericktown, Ohio.

The club elected the following officers for the ensuing year: D. M. Hillis, Butler, '64, president; William O. Wilson, Chicago, '97, W. E. Higbee, Illinois Wesleyan, '83, and Hoyt King, Indiana, '92, vice-presidents; William E. Godso, Chicago, '03, Secretary; and E. B. Hyde, Purdue, '95, treasurer. On the committee which had charge of the arrangements for the banquet were the following representing the Chicago alumni: A. B. Gilbert, Vermont, '80; J. T. Bodie, Vanderbilt, '87; W. O. Wilson, Chicago, '97; E. B. Hyde, Butler, '95.

Illinois Alpha was represented on this committee by F. J. R. Mitchell, '96, Herbert Harker, '04, Oris Hastings, '05, and Andrew Wilson, '05, and Illinois Beta by William E. Godso, '03, Thos. L. Todd, '07, Walter F. Egge-meyer, '05, and Ernest E. Quantrell, '05.

Chicago, March 25, 1904.

WILLIAM E. GODSO.

GALESBURG.

Alumni Day was celebrated in an appropriate manner by the two Galesburg chapters of Knox and Lombard colleges. The fraternity colors were worn by every member during the day, March 15. The Lombard chapter, Illinois Zeta, decided to join with Illinois Delta in the banquet which for several local reasons was appointed for the evening of March 16. The dinner took place in the Burlington Route dining hall, fifty Phis sitting around the gaily decorated tables, over which hung a huge silken banner of the fraternity.

Before the banquet, the two chapters and the alumni had gathered at the Knox chapter house where a jolly hour was spent socially. Then all proceeded to the dining hall in a body. Here the tables were arranged in the form of a cross and weighted with huge vases of red and white carnations. The banquet was satisfactory in every detail. The spirit of the occasion left nothing to be desired. After the feasting, chairs were pushed back and all settled themselves comfortably to listen to the interesting program of toasts which had been arranged. Professor Herbert E. Griffith, Illinois Alpha, '92, proved himself admirably qualified for his duties as toastmaster, the many bright and clever things he said giving zest to the occasion. The subject "Phi Delta Theta's Contribution to our Life Equipment" was very ably and profitably handled by Charles Wilbur Hoyt, Illinois Delta, '97.

The remainder of the program was as follows: "Reminiscences of a Founder," John William Gilbert, Illinois Delta, '72; "Truth and Fiction," Fay A. Bullock, Illinois Zeta, '00; "Who does it?" Burt A. Heinly, Illinois Delta, '04; "A Ten Minutes With You," Allen Ayrault Green, Illinois Delta, '03.

Mr. Green read a number of charming verses of his own composition and illustrated them with beautiful photographs of his own taking and which he threw on the screen. He prefaced his readings with the following bit of verse:

Here's to the Phis;
I care not where they be;
Tilling the soil or sailing far at sea,
If clouded skies from petty strifes speak loud,
I know there's one bright beam 'hind yonder cloud,
And grasping this one lone consoling ray,
My heart lights up, the clouds speed fast away;
So storm or sunshine, bright or clouded skies,
One sunbeam shines alway—
Here's to the Phis.
Yours in the Bond.

The occasion proved very helpful and will long be remembered by all present.

FRANK C. AYARS.

Galesburg, March 20, 1904.

BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS.

A local newspaper gives the following account of the dinner of the $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ of Bloomington:

The Bloomington alumni chapter composed of members of the "frat" living in all parts of central Illinois celebrated the occasion at the Illinois, where dinner was served at 7 o'clock. Twenty-five were present, including the following from out of the city: Dean Franklin, of the chapter of the University of Illinois; B. F. Lamkin, president of the province in which this city is located; Dr. R. C. Fullenwider, of La Salle; Dr. Pearson, of Pontiac; A. L. Bowen, of Springfield; Thaddeus Rodeker, of Pekin.

R. E. Williams acted as toastmaster and introduced the non-resident members first. Mr. Lamkin talked about the re-establishment of the chapter at the Wesleyan. Mr. Franklin and Dr. Pearson added the humor and wit with some clever new stories. Aside from those from out of town, Hon. James S. Ewing and W. B. Carlock spoke. Mr. Ewing related reminiscences of the chapter to which he belonged at Danville, Ky., back in 1857. He related what he termed a most remarkable incident. A short time after Mr. Cleveland's second election, he said, on the evening of March 15, there came to his room in the hotel in Washington, Gov. Crittenden, Adlai Stevenson, who had just

been sworn in as vice-president, Dr. James McKenzie, who had just been appointed Minister to Peru, Senator Blackburn, then one of the leading members of the senate, and James McCrea, then a very prominent man and now a United States senator from Kentucky. Mr. Ewing had just been appointed to Brussels. "All these men," said Mr. Ewing, "were members of my class at Center college, and every one of them was a member of the chapter of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ there." Mr. Ewing considered that a very remarkable incident.

Much of the discussion of the evening related to the struggle of the small college against the great and the fight that is constantly being made on the fraternity remaining in the smaller institutions.

One of the features of the evening was the reading of the following wireless telegram from Richard H. Little, now at Port Arthur as a war correspondent:

Marconi Wireless Station No. 5, off Port Arthur, via Tokio, Tokohama and San Francisco, March 15, 1904.

Mr. Robert E. Williams, Illinois Hotel, Bloomington, Ill., U. S. A.

Greetings—To all brother Phis at our alumni dinner tonight. May you have the time of your lives! And may the praise of the $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ ring as long and as loud as the roar of the victorious thirteen-inchers of the Japs. I am sending this, the second cablegram sent from here since the capture of Port Arthur by the pigtails; and while the key is clicking off these words to you, the crackle of burning buildings and the explosion of powder magazines is within my sight and hearing. It can be truly said that the words of this message are kindled with the hot embers from the burning fortress which defended a lost and unjust cause. Hurrah for old Phi Delt! Long may she live, boys!

RICHARD H. LITTLE.

Another feature was the farewell to James H. Shaw, who sails today for Palestine.

The question of asking the next province convention to meet here was also brought up, and the opinion was very general that it should be invited and a campaign made to get the meeting.

In conclusion the old officers of the Alumni Association were re-elected for another year. They are: Herman Fifer, president; James Melluish, secretary, and Dr. R. C. Noble, treasurer.

MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. PAUL.

The annual alumni reunion and banquet of the Phis in the twin cities and vicinity was held at Hotel Nicollet, in Minneapolis, the evening of March 15, about forty-five alumni with the active chapter of Minnesota Alpha being present. After the banquet, the following program of toasts was enjoyed:

"'Twas appetite before, 'tis reason now;" S. E. Mahan, Indiana Alpha, '69, toastmaster, "You shall put this night's great business into my dispatch;" Phi Delta Theta's contribution to our Life Equipment, J. G. Wallace, Pennsylvania Gamma, "Friendship, mysterious cement of the soul, sweetener of life and solder of society;" Phi in law, D. F. Simpen, Wisconsin Alpha, '82, "Yes, I thank God I am as honest as any man living that is an old man and no honester than I;" Phi in finance, H. L. Moore, Ohio Alpha, '77, "Shylock, we would have money;" Phi in medicine, Dr. A. C. Rogers, Indiana Delta, '77, "You wait on nature's mischief;" Phi in politics, W. J. Donahower, Minnesota Alpha, '89, "You are thought to be the most senseless and fit man;" The active chapter, O. S. Andresen, Minnesota Alpha, law school, "My salad days, when I was green in judgment;" Phi in Masonry, Conway MacMillan, Nebraska Alpha, '85, "Are ye fantastical or that indeed which outwardly ye show?" poem, L. S. Peters, Minnesota Alpha, College of Medicine, "Do you wish then that the gods had made me

poetical?" Aufwiedersehen, L. A. Straight, Illinois Epsilon, '87. Songs by the active chapter, interspersed with the toasts, gave added enjoyment to the program.

Election of officers resulted as follows: Hillairy Murray, Minnesota Alpha, '92, president; R. J. Williams, Illinois Delta, '97, reporter; Samuel Calwin Anfer, Minnesota Alpha, '01, secretary and treasurer.

St. Paul, March 25, 1904.

R. J. WILLIAMS.

ST. LOUIS.

The annual banquet of the St. Louis Alumni Club was held on Tuesday evening March 15, at the St. Nicholas Hotel. Twenty-five members were present at the banquet. Two or three of the number were visiting Phis from other chapters.

Bro. Edwin Carter acted as toastmaster. The toasts were as follows:— "New Washington University," Philo S. Stevenson; "Missouri Gamma," Alexander River Skinker; "The General Fraternity," Royall H. Switzler.

The following officers were elected for the year: President, Royall H. Switzler; vice-president, Philo S. Stevenson; secretary, Sherman Leavitt; treasurer, Clemens E. Glasgow.

Considering the fact that there are about one hundred and sixty Phis in St. Louis, the attendance at the banquet was not as large as it should have been, and I am sorry to say it was the smallest we have had for some years. I hope at the next banquet we will have at least seventy-five instead of one-third that number.

I understand, however, that the local chapter has been under very heavy expense this winter and this probably prevented many of them from attending.

St. Louis, April 13, 1904.

SHERMAN LEAVITT.

OMAHA.

The first meeting and banquet of the Omaha alumni club, after receiving the charter, was held on Founder's Day, March 15. Through the kindness of several of the members who are also members of the Omaha club, the elegant house of that organization was thrown open to us and everything was done to make the occasion an enjoyable one.

Twenty-four Phis were in attendance. Bro. M. A. Hall presided and after the repast he introduced informally as speakers Bros. John L. Kennedy, Rev. A. S. C. Clarke, Erastus A. Benson and others, all of whose talks were most enjoyable. Loyalty to $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ characterized the toasts and it did our hearts good to see how highly the fraternity was esteemed by some who had been out of touch with her for many years.

The banquet will be made an annual affair, and if all are as successful as the first there will be no question as to the growth in members and influence of the club.

Four of the active members of Nebraska Alpha at Lincoln were with us as our guests. They were Bros. Stewart, Updike, Meyer and Neely. Bro. Updike told us of the present conditions at the University of Nebraska.

The following brothers, all residents of Omaha, were present: Matthew A. Hall, John L. Kennedy, E. A. Benson, Dr. H. M. McClanahan, Rev. A. S. C. Clarke, W. P. Thomas, Miles B. Houck, A. F. Johnson, Harry A. Tukey, Ed. George, Geo. Bertrand, T. J. Hewitt, F. T. B. Martin, Chas. W. Martin, E. R. Davenport, A. B. Lindquest, J. A. C. Kennedy, Thos. Craig, Chas. H. von Mansfeede, F. J. McShane, and the writer.

Omaha, March 17, 1904.

CHESTER B. SUMNER.

LOS ANGELES.

The Los Angeles club of alumni members of the $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ college fraternity held its annual dinner and election of officers Tuesday night at the Country club. Thirty-eight fraternity men were present and a program of toasts was given with Sterling C. Lines acting as toastmaster. All alumni of the fraternity in the city will be asked to join the club and all visiting members are requested to communicate with the secretary at 502 Lankershin building.

Officers were elected as follows: President, L. R. Hewitt; vice-president, Sterling C. Lines; secretary-treasurer, T. A. Neal; executive committee, W. H. Anderson, Russ Avery, S. C. Lines.—*Los Angeles Herald*, March 17.

SEATTLE.

On the evening of March 15, some forty Phis from the Seattle Alumni club and Washington Alpha chapter gathered at the Hotel Washington, bent on celebrating in a suitable manner our anniversary day. After every one had eaten and drunk to his heart's content, Daniel B. Trefethen, as toastmaster, announced the following toasts. "Phi Delta Theta's Contribution to Our Life Equipment," Clay Allen; "Theta Province," E. A. Garretson; "All for One, One for All," Fred W. Hastings; "Washington Alpha," W. W. Phillips, "Senator John B. Allen," Geo. R. Tenant; "Phi Delta Theta in the East," Dalbert E. Twitchell; "The Glee Club," Arthur R. Priest; "University of Washington," Gardner W. Millett; "Phi Ladies," W. W. Blain; "Castles in Spain," Frank E. Brightman. Bro. Allen's response was particularly happy, and will be long remembered by every Phi fortunate enough to be present.

The Seattle Alumni club was represented at the dinner by the following: Daniel B. Trefethen, Amherst; A. B. Lawrence, Knox; Clay Allen, Northwestern; George Hodge and A. R. Priest, DePauw; F. E. Case, J. W. Crooks, and R. W. Thatcher, Kansas; E. A. Garretson, California; Earl C. Pooler, Wisconsin; T. S. Scott, Roy Kinnear, Geo. R. Tenant, W. W. Blaine, Charles E. Gaches, F. E. Brightman, Malcolm Donahoe, Wilbur Kirkman, Geo. F. Purdy and Fred J. Ceis, Washington. The active chapter sent Karl Hubert, D. E. Twitchell, Frank Allyn, G. W. Millett, W. W. Phillips, G. G. Brackett, H. A. Hanson, H. H. Thedinga, L. J. Brawley, Webster Hoover, Claude Link, Harry Kennedy, R. E. McGlinn, Geo. Seiler, L. D. Grinsted, F. W. Hastings, A. C. Hastings and J. H. Triplett.

Gen. Frederick Funston, who was to have been the guest of honor, was at the last unable to attend. A. R. PRIEST.

Seattle, March 24, 1904.

PERSONAL.

Nebraska—R. G. Mueller, '98, has moved to Chicago.

Lafayette—L. M. Saxton, '97, is teaching in the College of the City of New York.

Vermont—Ralph A. Stewart, '93, is assistant attorney-general of Massachusetts.

Sewanee—Rev. W. S. Slack, '89, is rector of Mount Olivet Church, New Orleans, La.

Kansas and Pennsylvania—J. H. Outland, M. D., '98, has located at Wichita, Kansas.

Allegheny—Arthur Staples, D. D., '94, is president of Beaver College, Pennsylvania.

Westminster and Missouri—Dr. Harry H. Smiley, '97, is practicing medicine at Tyler, Texas.

Chicago—H. T. Woodruff, '99, is secretary of the Western Jockey club, Ashland Block, Chicago.

Iowa Wesleyan—Rev. E. W. Havighorst, '87, is president of German College, Mount Vernon, Iowa.

Union—J. E. Swanker, '87, is manager of the Teeside Bridge Company, Middleborough, England.

Wabash—Raymond E. Willis, '96, is one of the editors and proprietors of the Angola (Ind.) *Magnet*.

Dickinson—M. Hoke Gottschall, '00, has moved to Pittsburgh, where he is financial agent of the Mortgage Banking Co.

Columbia—E. J. Riederer, '97, has moved to Landing, N. J., where he is assistant superintendent of the Forcite Powder Co.

South Carolina—D. F. Houston, '87, formerly dean of the University of Texas and now president of the State A. & M. College, is the author of "A Critical Study of Nullification in South Carolina," published by Longmans, Green & Company.

Wabash—R. H. Crozier, '93, is division passenger agent for the Burlington route, with headquarters at St. Joseph, Mo.

Southern and Vanderbilt—Hoyt M. Dobbs will represent Vanderbilt in the southern inter-state oratorical contest this year.

Iowa Wesleyan.—At the last election J. F. Riggs, '85, was elected superintendent of public instruction of the State of Iowa.

Cincinnati—Guido Gores, '01, is vice-president of the Stamina Republican league, which has 800 members and supports handsome club rooms in Cincinnati.

Dickinson—Wilbur Morris Stine, Ph. D., '86, a member of the Swartimouth College faculty, has published a book of poems entitled "The Wreck of the Myrtle."

Northwestern—E. B. Greene, Ph. D., '89, professor of history in the University of Illinois, is the author of "The Provincial Governor in the English Colonies of North America," published by Longmans, Green & Company.

Northwestern—Rev. C. C. Albertson, D. D., '89, has retired from the Philadelphia conference M. E. church, and accepted a call to the pastorate of the Central Presbyterian church of Rochester, N. Y., at a salary of \$5,000 a year.

Ohio State—George Stanley Helvey, '03, was married at Hamilton, December 16, to Miss Nellie Beeler. Bro. Helvey is the son of George Helvey, a wealthy retired manufacturer of that city, and will continue to make his home in Hamilton.

Michigan—At the first dinner of Michigan University alumni of Pittsburg and vicinity, held at the Union club, February 11, Richard Hardy, '91, responded to the toast "The Chimes in the Library Tower." In the election of officers for the ensuing year, he was chosen vice-president.

Williams—Woodbury T. Morris, '92, acted as toastmaster at the annual dinner of the Williams college alumni association of central Ohio, at which addresses were made by Dr. Washington Gladden, Mayor Jeffrey, of Columbus, and others, and at the annual election was chosen president of the association for the ensuing year.

Ohio Wesleyan—Dr. G. P. Benton, president of Miami University, scored a marked success in his captivating address at the annual dinner of the New England society of Cincinnati, on December 21. At the recent meeting of the Ohio association of college presidents, he was elected president of the association for the ensuing year.

Pennsylvania—In an account of a reunion of the class of 1900 of the U. of Pa., the *Public Ledger* of March 6, thus mentions a Japanese Phi:

The special interest of the thirty men at the reunion last night was directed to a beautiful silver loving cup, bearing the seal of the university, in the college colors, and the names of Seizuburo Yaskawa, a Japanese member of the class, and his infant son, Hirosi. The cup will be sent to Yaskawa, who is in business in Japan, in recognition of his being the first member of the class to become a father. Yaskawa was bowman for his class in the annual bowl fight in 1896.

Dartmouth—Charles A. Eastman, M. D., '87, a charter member of New Hampshire Alpha, has been lecturing during last winter on Indian life and customs and the secrets of animal life. He is the author of "Indian Boyhood," published last year by McClure, Phillips & Co., and now in its sixth thousand. He has nearly completed a book of the Indian hunter and the animal people, including stories of the wolf, the bear, the bison, the eagle, the bighorn and many others.

Buchtel—Hon. D. R. Crissinger, '85, of Marion, Ohio, a well known attorney, is spoken of as the probable nominee of the Democratic party for congress in the thirteenth district next fall. This district, formerly considered a Democratic stronghold, was, at the last election, lost to the Republicans, largely owing to the divided elements in the Democratic party. Mr. Crissinger is considered one of the ablest members of the Marion county bar; he is popular with all the elements of his party, and his candidacy has been largely endorsed by the Democratic organs of the district.

Kentucky State—Robert M. Allen, '00, a charter member of Kentucky Epsilon, is secretary of the national pure food association. He returned in January from London, Berlin and Paris, where he had been sent by the association to make an investigation of European food products, and to secure a representation of European scientists at the pure food congress in St. Louis during the world's fair. His report, as summarized in associated press dispatches, makes strong statements in regard to the adulteration of many food products

imported from Europe into this country, French wines coming in for the greatest amount of criticism.

Virginia—Dr. Greer Baughman, '93, was married, April 6, to Miss Wilhemina Agnes Reeve, of Washington, D. C. Dr. Baughman is lecturer on hygiene and demonstrator of physiology and pathology in the Medical College of Virginia, at Richmond, and is also editor of the *Old Dominion Journal of Medicine and Surgery*. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has been well represented also by others in the faculty of this well known old medical school. The late Dr. Charles M. Shields, *Richmond*, '76, was professor of eye, ear, nose and throat. Dr. Clifton M. Miller, *Richmond*, '90, is demonstrator of anatomy. Dr. M. Pierce Rocker is assistant demonstrator of bacteriology and demonstrator of biology.

Lombard—Lee Fairchild, '86, who spoke at the smoker, at the banquet and in the business sessions of our last national convention, is in great demand as an after dinner speaker. He spoke at the banquet of the New York alumni of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, March 14, and at the North Carolina society dinner at the Hotel Savoy, New York, March 15. His subject on the latter occasion was "What the governor of North Carolina said to the governor of South Carolina," and as quoted by the *Sun* he said:

I never had the pleasure of meeting the governor of either State, but of all men they are the ones I should most like to meet. The governor who said it first is the greater governor. On gentlemen of the South those governors have very great influence. In the campaign of 1866, my friend Jake Kemble made this proposal: "Lee, you introduce me to your western friends and I'll introduce you to my southern friends, and it won't cost us anything."

Syracuse—J. B. Sanford, M. D., '92, of Denver, is the recipient of an honor rarely accorded to citizens of the United States. He has been elected to membership in the royal geographical society of London, a position coveted by men like Henry M. Stanley, Nansen, Perry and other world travelers of note. The *Denver News* of February 25, says:

The honor of becoming a member of the Royal Geographical society has been well won by Dr. Sanford. Though best known in Colorado as speaker of the fourteenth general assembly, he has traveled extensively and his writings, covering as they do the results of his observations on those travels, have been published in leading periodicals, particularly those devoted to scientific research. He knows Mexico and its people thoroughly. He has penetrated into some of the most untraveled parts of Africa and his experiences have been numerous and out of the ordinary. It was while crossing the Sahara desert with a companion that the rest of the people of the carav-

van were lost, and it was only through the friendliness of a powerful shiek that the two men found their way into civilization. The shiek presented the two men with seven camels which they later sold. This was because of their services in rendering medical aid to the shiek.

Cincinnati—“The Vanished Empire, a Tale of the Mound Builders,” is the work of Waldo H. Dunn, '06, of Middletown, Ohio.



W. H. DUNN, CINCINNATI, '06. The gifted author is only twenty-two years of age, but he is a pioneer in making use of the treasures of historical romance connected with the mysterious works of the mound builders.

It has remained for a member of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ to write the first novel having for its theme this interesting branch of American archaeology. The story is full of strength and feeling, the narrative is interesting and the style is clear. The book is from the press of The Robert Clark Company, Cincinnati. Bro. Dunn was initiated into Ohio Theta in the fall of 1902. He was an active member of that chapter for one year and is now attending the University of Wooster.

Bro. B. M. L. Ernst, president of Alpha province, calls our attention to the fact that three articles were contributed by Phis to March magazines—“First Impressions of Civilization,” by C. A. Eastman, Dartmouth, '91, in *Harper's*; “Latin-American Views of Panama and the Canal,” by L. E. Van Norman, *C. C. N. Y.*, '87, in the *Review of Reviews*; “The Work of Comedy,” by Stanhope Sams, *Vanderbilt*, '81, in the *Smart Set*.

David F. Houston, A. M., *South Carolina*, '87, formerly dean of the academic faculty of the University of Texas, is now president of the A. and M. College, of Texas, at College Station, with which institution three other Phis are connected: Dr. Mark Francis, *O. S. U.*, '87, the veterinarian, by his investigation of Texas fever, has done great benefit to the cattle industry. John A. Lomax, *Texas*, '97, president of Eta province, 1898-1900, is instructor in English. Charles B. Campbell, *De Pauw*, '00, is instructor in modern languages.

The lyrics in "The Isle of Illusia," the comic opera produced by Columbia students this year, were written by R. C. Gaige, New York Delta, '03; and the leading female character, "Princess Naughty Naught," was acted by J. S. Buhler, New York Delta, '04. Three members of Pennsylvania Zeta were in the cast of "Alice in Anotherland," the comic opera produced by the Mask and Wig club of the University of Pennsylvania this year—B. H. Ludlow, '04, in the double role of "Dr. Spurious" and "Constant Knox;" R. C. Bortle, '05, as "Alice Ben Bolt;" and A. R. Ludlow, '06, as "The Young Whirlwind."

Armin Harms is now with the Velardena Mining and Smelting Company, Velardena, Durango, Mexico.

RICHARD HENRY LITTLE.

The capture by the Russians of Richard Henry Little, Illinois Epsilon, '95, war correspondent in the Far East for the Chicago *Daily News*, has again brought to the attention of the American public the achievements of this widely known newspaper man and loyal Phi.

Brother Little and Mr. Edward Washburn, another representative of the *News*, together with their two Japanese servants and their Japanese crew, were placed under arrest on April 2, when they steamed into Newchwang on their press dispatch boat, the *Fawan*. The Russians were incensed at the presence of the Japanese, and, as the local status of the war correspondents had not been arranged, the Russians placed the entire outfit under surveillance. The predicament of Brother Little brought an appeal to the state department at Washington from Mr. Victor F. Lawson, proprietor of the *News*. Through United States Consul Miller an order for the release of Brother Little was secured from General Kuropatkin, of the Russian forces, on the understanding that the press boat would at once leave the port.

This is only one of many exciting experiences that have fallen to the lot of Brother Little, while on the firing line in different parts of the world. At Havana, where he was a correspondent of the Chicago *Tribune* at the close of the Spanish American hostilities, he was taken dangerously ill with yellow fever, and it was only through the interference of President McKinley that the authorities were prevented from removing him to the yellow fever camp; and thus his life was

saved. Managing Editor James Keeley of the *Tribune*, had Washington on the long distance telephone for two hours one night to obtain the order from the president which nullified the instructions of the general in command at Havana.

As correspondent for the *Tribune* Brother Little also went to the Philippines. He was one of the signers of the famous "Round Robin," protesting against the censorship exercised by General Otis over the news sent from Manila, claiming



RICHARD HENRY LITTLE, ILLINOIS WESLEYAN, '95,
War Correspondent in the Far East for the Chicago *Daily News*.

that much legitimate matter had been suppressed. He accompanied General Bates on his mission, and was present when the treaty of peace was signed with the Sultan of Sulu on behalf of the United States.

At the end of his Philippine service, the *Tribune* expected Brother Little to return to America by way of Japan. To intercept him a cablegram was sent to him at Yokohoma, ordering him to South Africa, to represent the paper in the British-Boer war. But as he had made up his mind to go

around the world and had gone by the way of Hong Kong, Singapore and the Suez Canal, the cablegram never reached him; so he did not know of the South African assignment until his return to Chicago, when it was too late. He always regretted his failure to receive that message and the consequent loss of an opportunity to see that interesting country.

From the time of his return until shortly before the breaking out of the Russian-Japanese war, he was a member of the staff of the *Tribune*, and he conducted a humorous page under his own name in the Sunday edition. The Chicago *Daily News* was anxious for his services in the Far East, and he secured a long leave of absence from the *Tribune* to accept the commission.

Brother Little is a native of Bloomington, Ill. He is a graduate of Illinois Wesleyan University, and is 33 years old. He studied law and was admitted to the bar and opened an office in Bloomington, but law was too hum-drum to suit his tastes. For a while he was on the staff of the Bloomington *Pantagraph*. In 1896 he came to Chicago and became a reporter on the *Tribune*. As his talents became known, he was rapidly promoted and within two years he secured the much desired and responsible assignment of war correspondent.

Brother Little is a very loyal Phi, and he has always been active in advancing the interests of the fraternity. When in the city he is present at every $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ gathering. He was one of the speakers at the banquets of the Louisville and New York conventions. He is one of the most popular men in the Chicago Press club, and as an after-dinner speaker he is famous.

JOHN ARTHUR DIXON.

COLLEGIATE.

The Columbia trustees have approved plans for two dormitories, each to have 300 rooms and cost \$300,000, to be erected on South Field.

The management of the Olympic games at the St. Louis exposition has erected a permanent gymnasium and a stadium with a seating capacity of 35,000 on the grounds of the exposition. The Olympic games will be held between August 29 and September 3. After the exposition the gymnasium and stadium will become the property of Washington University.

Dr. Andrew S. Draper, who has done so much to build up the University of Illinois, has resigned the presidency of that institution to become commissioner of education in New York state.

The company that has the roller chair concession at St. Louis is advertising for college men who are looking for a chance to push their way to the front.—*Washington Post*. In another paper we notice a complaint from Washington University students that the company discriminated against them and chose students from the big eastern colleges to push the chairs.

University of Pennsylvania students are making a strenuous protest against the new ruling of the faculty regarding attendance at chapel. These are that if a student misses chapel eleven times within a term he shall be suspended for a week; for twelve cuts the suspension is extended to a month; and for thirteen absences he is expelled for the remainder of the term.

J. O. Heald of Orange, N. J., has offered a prize of \$100 for the words and music of a song that will best exemplify the true Yale spirit. He is a graduate of Yale university, and says he has long been impressed with the fact that Yale has not a song with the true ring of college life. He wants a song that will stand the test of years. Harvard, Cornell and other universities all have their songs, he says, and Princeton's "Old Nassau" holds the palm among them.

Much interest has been aroused at Columbia by the attempts of some of the students there to introduce the "honor system" in examinations now in vogue at Princeton, Wesleyan and several of the western and southern universities. The college seniors, juniors and sophomores have placed themselves on record as favoring the system. The science seniors voted the proposition down. They object to the feature which makes it the duty of the classmates of a man who cheats to report his dishonesty to the faculty. A systematic movement, the first of the kind at Yale, has begun among leaders of the junior class in favor of the honor system at examinations. For the present the movement is limited to the class, and aims at the practical establishment of an "honor spirit," in the hope that the example will extend to other classes.

We are glad to commend any plan which will bring the fraternities together in friendly intercourse. The following from the *Daily Maroon* of the University of Chicago presents attractive suggestions:

The fraternities in the University of Iowa during the past year have been carrying out a well defined policy of working toward pleasant interfraternity relations. This has been manifested in many ways; there is a fraternity whist tournament in progress at the present time. A baseball tournament is in process of formation. The very latest scheme, however, and one unique in fraternity life, is to give an immense barbecue; a regular old fashioned one, as soon as spring opens up properly. The plans are simple—one or two beesves; a big fire; plenty of cider, apples and other refreshments suited to a barbecue; a pleasant spot up the Iowa river; and a hundred fraternity men. Perhaps, also, the sororities will be guests of honor at the barbecue.

The university registration statistics on the opposite page are from *Science* for December. They show the number of students and of the teaching staffs of twenty institutions. As to enumeration of students these universities rank as follows: 1, Harvard; 2, Columbia; 3, Chicago; 4, Michigan; 5, California; 6, Minnesota; 7, Cornell; 8, Illinois; 9, Wisconsin; 10, Yale; 11, Northwestern; 12, Pennsylvania; 13, Nebraska; 14, Syracuse; 15, Ohio State; 16, Indiana; 17, Missouri; 18, Princeton; 19, Leland Stanford, Jr.; 20, Johns Hopkins. Columbia has the largest enrollment in the graduate schools, with Chicago second, Harvard third and Yale fourth. Michigan heads the list in the number of law students, followed by Harvard, Minnesota and Columbia in the order named. Columbia has the largest enrollment of any of the medical schools enumerated, but is closely followed by Illinois, with Northwestern and Pennsylvania occupying third and fourth places respectively. As to the scientific schools, Cornell is in the lead, with Yale second, California third and Michigan fourth. Harvard has by far the largest collegiate enrollment and also had the largest summer session last year. As to the relative ranking of the teaching force in the largest institutions, Columbia now occupies first place, with Harvard second, Cornell third and Illinois fourth.

After several years of effort on the part of the Pacific coast colleges, inter-collegiate rowing is at last about to become a recognized branch of sport. Several months of negotiations for regattas and shells have culminated in arrangements for a boat race between the three largest coast universities—California, Stanford and Washington. The first joint regatta will be held on April 23 at California. The freshmen crews of Stanford and California will

UNIVERSITY REGISTRATION STATISTICS.

	California.	Chicago.	Columbia.	Cornell.	Harvard.	Illinois.	Indiana.	Johns Hopkins.	Leland Stanford, Jr.	Michigan.	Minnesota.	Missouri.	Nebraska.	Northwestern.	Ohio State.	Pennsylvania.	Princeton.	Syracuse.	Wisconsin.	Yale.
College arts, men.....	949	560	493	1756	2077	302	923	158	840	742	470	284	310	371	271	514	742	942	32	1252
College arts, women.....	943	831	390	444	305	506	478	65	745	133	668	421	300	514	450	566	264	525	845	255
Scientific schools ^a	840	719	1317	547	707	8	601	544	253	180	210	159	303	25	40	94	144	144	144	
Law.....	80	674	235	234	140	05	108	821	488	265	80	50	512	472	40	400	33	33	33	
Medicine.....	118	147	660	355	380	23	278	448	700	67	68	151	471	40	40	40	40	40	40	
Architecture.....	118	147	660	355	380	23	278	448	700	67	68	151	471	40	40	40	40	40	40	
Art.....	206	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	
Dentistry.....	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	112	
Biology.....	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	
Forestry.....	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	
Music.....	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	177	
Pharmacy.....	84	95	624	85	183	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	
Pedagogy.....	4	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	
Veterinary.....	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	19	
Graduate schools.....	307	442	680	177	104	104	73	104	86	69	75	42	88	43	27	105	116	46	95	146
Summer session.....	868	2244	1001	476	1892	225	470	18	521	175	69	101	100	104	35	400	54	16	84	144
Other courses.....	19	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17
Product double registr. ^b	(39)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)	(120)
Grand total.....	3690	4146	4557	3438	6013	3661	1644	664	1570	1026	1510	1540	2247	2240	1710	2634	1434	2207	3221	24000
Teaching staff.....	342	197	555	420	360	150	128	182	120	106	220	304	140	308	108	186	225	185	185	185

^a Includes schools of engineering, chemistry, architecture, mining, and mechanic arts.^b Included in scientific schools.^c Included in college statistics.

compete, but the main event will be the race between the 'varsity crews of the three universities in rowing shells over a mile and a half course. At this regatta a number of prominent amateur rowing clubs will also compete. This final and successful effort to establish rowing will be a great step forward for coast colleges. Owing to the fact that Stanford and California are at a great distance from other universities, inter-collegiate relations have so far been confined mainly to these two institutions in the south, while those to the northwest have competed among themselves. Lately, however, the coast colleges are planning mutual relations throughout. Debating teams are now sent from these two sections, and it is interesting to note that Washington defeated Stanford in the debating series, and also defeated California in the first intercollegiate boat race, held last year.

The class of '04 at Yale has voted to make a radical change in the annual class day exercises next June. The reading of histories by the four class historians will be omitted, and, instead, the class poem and oration will be read in the afternoon of class day and be followed by a humorous speech to be prepared by the class historians and spoken by one of their number. The personal "grinds" on members of the class will not be allowed, as all references in the speech to any of the class must be anonymous. The reason given for the change is that the custom of referring to every member of the class has become tedious with the growth of the classes. The smoking of the class pipe and the planting of the class ivy will be continued.

PROFESSOR TRIGGS DISMISSED FROM CHICAGO.

Referring to the dismissal by the University of Chicago trustees of O. L. Triggs, professor of English, *Unity*, of Chicago, says:

A long time ago the newspapers forced a notoriety upon Professor Triggs by tearing out of their proper settings certain sentences which compared the creative power of Rockefeller and Pullman with that of Milton and Shakespeare, and which spoke of much of the material of our hymn books as doggerel and gave secondary place to Longfellow among the poets, all of which opinions are quite consonant with the consensus of the competent when properly explained. But it brought the laugh on Mr. Triggs and necessarily on the university, and university trustees do not like to be laughed at. President Harper has recently stoutly maintained that the University of Chicago is not only free from denominational bias, but also from sociological partisanship; that a professor may even feel free to criticize Rockefeller, the

alleged "founder." In the light of recent utterances of the president, this claim scarcely can be true.

The Drovers' Telegram, of Kansas City, inquires:

Why did they fire Professor Triggs
From Rockefeller's college?
I thought he had a lead pipe cinch
Upon the world of knowledge.
His lamps were always burning bright,
Their glim the country dazzled;
His theories were so quaint they made
The other profs look frazzled.
It cannot be that he's a prig,
Nor that his light's reflected,
But sure it is he's been turned out,
And now the world's dejected.
I wonder if his can of oil
A Standard make is branded?
For if it's not, they ought to say
As much, and thus be candid.

VIEWS OF COLLEGE PRESIDENTS.

Speaking before the association of colleges and preparatory schools of the middle states and Maryland, in New York city, November 28, President Rush Rhees, of the University of Rochester, took the ground that the college aim and college teaching, as distinguished from original research in the universities, were essential to the development of educated and cultured men. He insisted that, while some men may secure substantial benefits in three years at college, the four year course is not arbitrary or accidental, but is fixed by what experience shows to be necessary for the majority; and on this point he said:

I am heretical enough to believe that if it becomes a question of reducing time it would be vastly better to modify somewhat the extent of our entrance requirements than to try to compress unduly the period of residence in the institution which crowns our course of liberal education, where the aim is the mature development of the man or the woman.

I am not indifferent to the demand for economy of time in education, but let us keep our young men in that atmosphere which makes for personal development, in the atmosphere of comrades who are pursuing diverse interests, of teachers intent upon the development of manhood; let us keep them there long enough to secure that intellectual maturity which, if I mistake not, has given to the American college of the past its claim to distinction.

The long talked of concession of Yale College to the Yale law school has been made. Hereafter only six years will be required for a man to take his degree from the college and the law school, instead of seven as is now the case. This

change was made at Harvard several years ago. Speaking before the Yale alumni association of central and western Massachusetts, February 28, President A. T. Hadley said:

Harvard would have the student spend three or four years in general study, and then begin his life work as something new and wholly different. Yale would so order those three or four years that the man should have found out by experiment what he wants to do and what he can do best, and thus should have made some serious progress in laying the foundation for his work in life. Harvard would defer all professional study until after the man has graduated. Yale would allow as much professional study to come into the college course as is compatible with the wide social attachments and broad moral horizon of the undergraduate world; glad if the student can train his professional powers at a time when he is also being trained to subordinate those powers to the public welfare.

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It cannot be denied that there are many students in college who ought not to be there and who would much better be at work. Northwestern University proposes to sift the student body and select from among those who apply the best and most promising material. We have just established in the college department 100 scholarships which are to be assigned upon a unique basis, paying no attention to merely academic standing, which is the standard ordinarily accepted by American colleges, rejecting in toto the method of competitive examination which is all but universal in England. Northwestern University proposes to apply tests which will select as far as possible those individuals who give promise of high achievement in their future career.

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A T Ω is dead at Marietta College and at Washington and Lee University. --*Delta* of Σ N.

X Ω has entered Kentucky University and Southwestern Baptist University, being the first sorority at each place.

The new editors of THE SCROLL gratefully acknowledge kind and graceful salutations from the editors of the *Delta* of Σ N, the K A *Journal* and other fraternity periodicals.

Anti-fraternity restrictions were recently removed at Colorado College, Colorado Springs. K Σ placed a chapter there March 12, and two local societies are seeking charters from national fraternities.

K Σ was revived at Washington and Lee, March 11, by absorbing the parent chapter of M II A. The latter fraternity seems to be about dead. Its chapter at West Virginia University died some time ago.

In recent years Σ N has been the pioneer fraternity at several western state universities. It will probably be the first to enter South Dakota. Its applicants there were visited by one of its official representatives on March 10.

Φ K Σ has entered the Georgia School of Technology and Massachusetts Institute of Technology and revived at Northwestern. She likewise has a new branch at California, making the twenty-third fraternity at Berkley—K A *Journal*.

The supreme executive committee of K Σ have fixed August 3-5 as the time for the next biennial grand conclave (convention.) The editor of the *Caduceus* fears hot weather in that month and urges that the meeting be postponed until October.

Senator Fairbanks, of Indiana, is president of Φ Γ Δ. A portrait of him makes the frontispiece of the March *Phi Gamma Delta*, which says:

This month we are enabled to present our readers with a fine photograph of our esteemed brother and presiding officer. Bro. Charles W. Fairbanks needs no introduction to the fraternity nor to the world at large. He is now, and always has been, an enthusiastic Fiji. If the public press is to be believed, the finger of Fate and *politics* has been pointed at our beloved brother for some time as the running mate of President Roosevelt this fall.

The Tulane correspondent of the **S A E Record** reports all fraternities there holding their own except **S N** and **A K E**. He reports **O N E** as having drifted into the medical school. A very good thing if it could drift into the Mississippi river.—**K A Journal**.

The Record for March has an article about the nine Sigs at West Point, and says: “**S A E** has a larger representation at the academy than any other fraternity.” Excepting **ΦΔΘ** this may be true. As shown by the February **SCROLL**, there are thirteen **Pis** at the academy.

A local society called **ΦΣΔ** at California is petitioning **ΛΔΦ** for a charter. Except the very small fraternities, **ΛΔΦ** is the only fraternity not represented at California. The only reason why this application is not granted is said to be that the personnel of the local society is not considered to be first class.

The eminent supreme archon of **S A E**, W. C. Levere has written a novel entitled “*Twixt Greek and Barb.*” It deals with fraternity life—bidding a freshman, initiating him, political contests between Greeks and barbs, cane rushes, etc. The book is published by W. S. Lord, Evanston, Ill.; price \$1.25.

The **Δ K E Quarterly** conducts the most remarkable “Greek news” department of any such publication. It contains not a line of original matter, but is composed entirely of clippings from exchanges, all properly credited. The last *Quarterly*, dated February, contains fourteen such items, covering two and a half pages.

The University of Pennsylvania chapter is agitating the matter of a fraternity hat band. Though the formal adoption can not be obtained until the next convention, the Pennsylvania boys will go ahead and place an order for a distinctive band in the fraternity colors, provided they can get enough co-operation from the other chapters. They say they do not want to wait until the summer of 1905 to sport the purple and gold on their straw hats. The hat band idea already prevails in certain quarters, though we do not know just how far. It seems a pleasant custom, and we hope the idea can be carried out in time for the coming summer. Our colors would certainly lend themselves admirably for the purpose—*Record of S A E*.

There is little immediate danger of Σ A E dying out in Georgia through inertia. The result of the rushing campaigns at the University of Georgia, Georgia Tech. and Mercer indicates ten initiates each at the first two and eleven at the last. These figures are not guaranteed to be up to date, however.—K A *Journal* for March.

Σ A E is making strenuous efforts to patch up her weak chapter at the University of Mississippi, where she has existed for nearly forty years. Her chief executive, who resides at Evanston, Ill., spent much time at Oxford the past fall in trying to ginger things up. The chapter letter in the December *Record* reports only three men, with "several pledged," however.—K A *Journal*.

The K A *Journal* is concerned about our Japanese brother, Hidetake Taro Yegawa, Lafayette, '79. It suggests his doleful fate in supposing that, on account of "the present unpleasantness in the Far East," his front name might be written "Hidetaken," instead of Hidetake. We haven't heard from the brother in some time, but if he is engaged in the war with Russia, we doubt not that he will give a good account of himself. Indeed we think that all the Japs are displaying a valor which challenges the admiration of the world. In their assault on Port Arthur, and especially in their attempts to sink transports to block the entrance to the harbor, their daring was the same as that of Hobson at Santiago. Our hats are off to the gallant Japanese—"the Yankees of the East."

For some occult reason, the K A *Journal* is keeping close tabs on the condition of our chapters, especially our southern chapters. From an item in THE SCROLL, the last item in the October issue, the *Journal* concludes that our Tulane and Mississippi chapters are "weak." Perhaps the news of the weakened condition of any of our southern chapters would not cause K A great pain. However, we can inform the *Journal* that at last accounts our chapters at Tulane and Mississippi were doing very well, thank you, both of them sitting up and taking nourishment regularly. We assure our esteemed contemporary that we have inside information to this effect which we consider quite reliable. Possibly both chapters may survive to be chief mourners at K A funerals, though we hope it will be a long time before they have to buy crepe for such purpose.

The following is clipped from the University of Virginia correspondence of the *Beta Theta Pi*:

This year we decided it would be best to give up the house we occupied last year, as it was not at all adequate or suitable to the wants of the chapter. Last year we had only five men in the house, and now we practically control the largest boarding house in college. Six of us room in the house and fourteen of our men eat here. We have a large table, and all eat together. We thus have all the advantages of a chapter house, without the trouble of running one. No other fraternity, even the two that have houses— $\Delta K E$ and $\Delta \Psi$ —eats at its chapter house. In this respect we have a great advantage, as the men are thrown together at meals, this being a great aid in unifying the chapter.

The conditions are such at Virginia that, unless there is some arrangement of this sort, many of the men rarely see each other, which I think is perhaps one of the most potent causes of the lack of interest shown in fraternities at this university. The result of our arrangement is that $B \Theta II$ is known and regarded as having more fraternity spirit than any other chapter here. This fact is shown by the Beta german, we being the only fraternity that gives a dance. On Thursday of Easter week, during the height of the festivities, this german is given; it is the fourth and last german of the week and is generally looked forward to as its crowning event.

The Phi Gamma Delta was first issued in January, 1879, and was published by the Ohio Wesleyan chapter 1879-83, and by the De Pauw chapter 1883-85. The issue for March this year contains some interesting reminiscences about the magazine during 1883-85. The first year the total income from subscriptions and advertisements was \$365.46; and the convention of 1884 appropriated \$44 to cover a deficit of that amount. The next year the income was \$410.75, and by good business management and very careful economy there was a surplus of \$1.10. The income of the *Phi Gamma Delta* today is said to be "approximately \$3,000 a year," in marked contrast with the small receipts of twenty years ago. The reminiscences were written by J. W. Clark, who is now president of the Indianapolis graduate chapter. He relates the following interesting incidents:

I remember that my first work as assistant business manager was in carrying the magazines in large sacks on our backs from the printer's office to the postoffice, as the business manager he said that our financial condition would not permit us to hire a dray. The editorial staff had no difficulty in obtaining good material but we experienced some trouble in getting it printed correctly. On account of our small income we were compelled to let the contract for printing to the lowest instead of the best bidder. Some serious mistakes were made by our publisher. I remember a letter from a chapter correspondent in 1884 which said: "We have been spiking all year and have met with success." You can imagine the indignation of the editor-in-chief, when the issue came from the press, to have the letter read: "We have been spiking all year and have met with suckers."

In politics this year we have been fought by most all of the other frats. However, there is a tradition in the chapter that K A must have at least three out of the nine presidents of the Φ K literary society each year. We already have one, and will work hard to get two more. Our prospects for a great career next year are very bright.—Georgia correspondence of the K A *Journal* for March.

The K A *Journal* for March has a full page half-tone, displaying the portraits of twelve young ladies, who are called "sisters" of the chapter at North Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical college.

Of K A's 47 chapters, 20 occupy houses, 8 owned and 12 rented. Those owning houses are Vanderbilt, Sewanee, North Carolina, Auburn, Millsaps, Louisiana State, Texas, Southwestern. The house at Texas is under construction. The Vanderbilt chapter, which owns a small frame house, is discussing the erection of a house to cost \$8,000, and hopes to be in its new home next September. The amount of \$1,700 has been raised for erecting a memorial hall on the campus of Washington and Lee. The 12 chapters renting houses are those at Johns Hopkins, Columbian, Bethany, Kentucky State, Kentucky University, Wofford, Georgia, Tennessee, Missouri School of Mines, William Jewell, California, Stanford. The chapters at Virginia and West Virginia occupy flats.

K A has six chapters in Virginia—at Washington and Lee, where K A was founded, 1865, University of Virginia, William and Mary, Randolph-Macon, Hampden-Sidney, and Richmond. K A entered Kentucky twenty-one years ago, when it placed a chapter at Centre, now Central University. It now has five chapters in that state—at Central, Kentucky Wesleyan, Kentucky University, Kentucky State College and Georgetown College. Two or three years ago anti-fraternity laws were repealed at Georgetown, where Φ Δ Θ once had a chapter. K A established a chapter there with eleven men February 11, 1904. On January 15, 1904, K A installed a chapter of eight men at the College of Charleston, S. C. K A now has 47 active chapters, which, considering its limited field, is a remarkably large number. Except chapters at California and Stanford, all of these chapters are in the South, counting John Hopkins, Columbian, Bethany, Missouri, Missouri School of Mines, Westminster and William Jewell in the South.

Dr. H. C. Tolman, professor of Greek in Vanderbilt University recently received a high compliment in being made a member of the Beta Theta Pi, by the Yale chapter of the fraternity. This is one of the most conservative fraternal societies in America, and each year out of the hundreds of students at Yale only about fifteen are admitted to membership, and the conferring of an honorary membership is an honor rarely bestowed. Dr. Tolman is a graduate of Yale, class of '88, and during his student days Beta Theta Pi was not in existence there. The men of the Vanderbilt chapter were so delighted at the signal honor bestowed upon Dr. Tolman that a celebration was recently held which was a fitting compliment to Dr. Tolman, and they presented him with a handsome fraternity pin set with a diamond and pearls.

The foregoing is clipped from a recent Nashville paper. We had thought that the time when reputable and self-respecting fraternities would elect honorary members had long since passed. The Betas have been very weak at Vanderbilt for many years, but the election of professors to membership is a very poor way of strengthening their chapter.

BARBARIANS DEFEATED IN MISSISSIPPI.

Certain barbarians at the University of Mississippi have been seeking to have fraternities abolished there. They attempted to induce the faculty to begin a war upon the Greeks, but it is now well known that the faculty unanimously favor the existence of fraternities. Then they appealed to the trustees, on the ground that the faculty were biased in favor of the Greeks. They brought the matter up for three successive years. In the spring of 1903 the trustees investigated the charges against fraternities, and decided (unanimously, it is understood) that they were unfounded.

The barbarians made their last stand with the legislature this spring, and were finally defeated. A bill was introduced in the house, intended to prohibit fraternities at the University of Mississippi and other educational institutions supported by the state. The barbarians secured the publication of many articles in state papers, the object being to prejudice the public, especially the legislators, against fraternities. The charges of various kinds presented in these articles were answered in a pamphlet of forty-eight pages, entitled "Shall Fraternities Live?" issued in February by the fraternities at the University of Mississippi. The house committee on universities and colleges (of which Percy Bell, $\Delta\ \Psi$, was chairman) after visiting Oxford and investigating the charges, reported the bill adversely, which ended the fight. The legislature will not meet again for four years.

The rules governing fraternities at the University of Mississippi are as follows: No fraternity is allowed to solicit, pledge or initiate a student until eight weeks after his matriculation. This rule has been amended to the effect that no fraternity is allowed to vote on a student's name until eight weeks after his matriculation. The fraternities are compelled to hold their meetings on the campus and can not meet oftener than once in two weeks, four extra meetings a year being allowed with the faculty's permission. The punishment for any breach of these rules is in the discretion of the faculty.

While the rules restricting meetings to the campus and limiting them to one in a fortnight are hardships, we heartily approve the rule preventing the election or bidding of students until eight weeks after their matriculation. It would be well, we think, if such a rule were enforced at every institution, for it would prevent fraternities from making serious mistakes in the general scramble for new men at the beginning of each session. At some colleges the fraternities have agreed among themselves to refrain from spiking for a certain time, but several violations of such inter-fraternity agreements have been reported. For information regarding recent events in Mississippi we are indebted to Bro. W. A. Henry, Jr., president of Mississippi Alpha; Bro. G. L. Ray, president of Eta province; Bro. D. S. McCool, of Canton, Miss., and Bro. W. S. Slack, of New Orleans, Ia.

FIJIS KISS THE PIC'S SNOUT.

Everybody who knows much of B Θ Π knows that when the Betas have a feast they call it a "dorg." According to accounts in the *Beta Theta Pi*, the festal board is frequently graced with an image of a dog, and one of the most popular songs with Betas alludes to the joy which they feel when they "carve dat canine—carve him to de heart." Φ Γ Δ now has "a Fiji pig feast," and we are told that the idea originated with the late Frank Norris, the novelist, a member of the California chapter. The *Phi Gamma Delta* for February contains accounts of several such banquets, from which we learn that when Fijis partake of a pig the feast is accompanied with beautiful ceremonies—impressive services they might almost be called. In honor of Wilmer Christian, M. D., national treasurer of Φ Γ Δ, the Denison chapter gave "its

first annual pig barbecue" in the chapter house, January 25, calling the affair by "the rather dignified name, but fittingly Grecian, of ΔΕΙΠΝΟΝ ΣΨΩΣ." Rev. J. C. Schindell, D. D., was "symposiarch." After the soup course—

The four pledged men disappeared from the table and soon far away in the back of the old mansion could be heard a song, "Bringing in the Pig, bringing in the Pig, we shall come rejoicing, bringing in the Pig." This was sung to the tune of the old gospel hymn, "Bringing in the Sheaves." As soon as the forty-pound suckling, decorated with a superabundance of royal purple ribbon, appeared, the tribe arose as one man, and, to the tune of "My own United States," let out with lusty voices the ditty:

All hail to our Pig,
The fatted Piggywig,
All hail the Fiji Pig,
We will feast all night
And keep tradition bright,
All hail the Fiji Pig.

The enthusiasm was intoxicating, the hilarity went echoing through the halls and rooms of the old house. After referring with tenderness to the late Frank Norris, of California, Dr. Schindell then decapitated the roasted pig, held aloft the garnished head, gaily decorated in royal purple, and said:

Mythology informs us that when gods and goddesses feasted royally a most delicious portion of their meal was ΣΤΣ seasoned with spices from Araby, garnished with sweet lotus from the far west sea and roasted well over fires fed by nymphs of surpassing beauty and loveliness. It was to provide for such a feast as this that Circe on Aeac Isle turned bold Odysseus' comrades into ΣΤΣ. So Phi Gamma Deltas, no less illustrious than noble Grecian ancestors, thus feasted on ΣΤΣ, and in the feasting find soul lay hold on soul in loving bonds of fair, frank friendship.

Then the symposiarch planted a kiss on the nose of ΣΤΣ, and said: "All hail, then, to thee, Oh ΣΤΣ, I greet thee! and in greeting, link heart to heart!"

Each frater then arose in his turn, and bestowing his homage to ΣΤΣ in osculation, gave reverence in the words, "All hail, then, to thee, Oh ΣΤΣ, I greet thee." Talk about risibles aching! Laughter of the genuine genus was loud and long. The head of ΣΤΣ, after this ceremony, was deposited in front of the symposiarch, and the table became a shrine.

After this ceremony, with great gravity, the symposiarch carved the south end of ΣΤΣ, and presented it with fitting words to the youngest Fiji present, Bro. Frank Robbins, as a symbol of what his lot in Greekdom was.

Eighty Fijis had a pig dinner at the University Club, Indianapolis, February 5. The affair is thus described:

As the deft little Japanese waiters of the club entered the large dining hall bearing aloft an inviting roasted suckling, there was joy unspeakable in the breasts—or, more properly, in the stomachs—of over eighty hungry Fijis, who were seated around the festive banquet tables. Bro. George W. Benton, Wabash, '84, who was chief carver for the occasion, at once issued his decree. To comply with his terms each brother immediately arose and reverently bowed to his majesty—the lovely roast pig. Obeisance done, Bro. Benton skillfully decapitated the pig, and holding the head before him, referred briefly to the ancient Grecian custom of celebrating their illustrious achievements with feast of pig. Thereupon he kissed the pig's nose.

The latest initiate present was then asked to come forward and act as pall-bearer. Two brothers, Wagner and Lubeck, of the Wabash chapter, having been initiated on the same evening, accordingly obeyed, and in turn kissed the inviting little snout of the pig. They then carried the porker's

head around the tables, and each brother had to imprint upon those piggish lips one lovely kiss. Laughable! Well, we should think so. From the time the first kiss was implanted until the last the banquet hall resounded with the prolonged laughter of the exuberant Fijis. As each brother arose and kissed that nose we laughed anew. It was indeed joyous.

When each brother had done homage to the pig the head was presented to the oldest initiate present, which honor fell to Bro. William Bosson, who was ushered into $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$'s mystic circle at old Lambda chapter in 1873. Some one jokingly referred to the incident of Bro. Bosson's initiation as the "Crime of '73." However, our brother bore his honors graciously. The hindermost portion of the pig was bestowed upon the latest initiates, Bros. Wagner and Lubeck, share and share alike.

Remembering Charles Lamb's dissertation on roast pig, we must say that we consider it a far more palatable dish than "dorg." The particular part presented to the youngest initiate is perhaps regarded more as a trophy than as a delicacy. The kissing of the pig's snout is a feature of the programme which does not strongly appeal to us, but the Fijis speak of it as a "reverential rite," and chapters are urged to "adopt the custom and hand down the tradition."

PHI KAPPA PSI IN 1903.

For four or five years we have had the pleasure of reviewing the annual reports of the secretary of the $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$ fraternity, Mr. O. E. Monnette, and we have never failed to find in them very interesting material for reproduction in THE SCROLL. The report for the year ending December 15, 1903, appears in the March *Shield*. Like previous reports, it is very voluminous. It contains 70 closely printed pages of text, and 34 pages of tables, not to mention 29 half-tones of chapter groups, occupying as many pages.

In the sixteen years, 1887-1903, $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$ has established 13 chapters, and re-established 2—Chicago and Wisconsin. The fraternity now has 40 active chapters, 27 alumni associations and 1 alumni club—Harvard. The number of attendant members December 15, 1903, was 821, an average of 18 per chapter. During the year 288 were initiated, making the total membership, active and alumni, 9,383, of whom "it is safe to say that 7,000 are living." During the year Mr. Monnette visited 12 chapters and 12 alumni associations. The chapters having the largest attendant membership are: Amherst, 37; Dartmouth, 33; Columbia, 32; Syracuse, 29; Pennsylvania, 28; Colgate, 25; Chicago, 23; Nebraska, 23; Michigan, 22; Indiana, 22; Wisconsin, 22; Cornell, 21; O. W. U., 20; De Pauw, 20. Those having the smallest active

membership are: Virginia, 13; West Virginia, 13; Stanford, 13; Bucknell, 12; O. S. U., 12; Northwestern, 12; Mississippi, 11; Iowa, 9; Beloit, 9; Gettysburg, 8; W. & L., 8. The Johns Hopkins chapter, which has 14 attendant members, reports: "The attendance at the university is 672; of this number, but 150 are undergraduates, and of these almost 50 are entirely impossible; of the remainder many are disqualified by their families' social position." Mr. Monnette says:

Some chapters have entirely too large a membership, even though there is a great excuse for that in the fact that rival fraternities maintain equally as large active memberships. Yet, our fraternity ought to take an independent position in this matter. It is scarcely possible to conceive how a chapter of thirty-five or forty can be other than cumbersome, and affording little chance for development along fraternal lines. There is not, and can not be, the immediate association and contact with each other among the members which is the basis of highest culture and influence. The membership should not exceed twenty-five, and twenty is better (five to each class is better), but under the most favorable local circumstances it should not go beyond thirty.

On the other hand, the small membership of some of our chapters is a source of positive alarm, and the further fact, that this is largely due to a false notion of superiority and exclusiveness, makes the situation more unfortunate. The sooner such policies are abandoned, the more rapidly will these chapters develop and become forceful. And, if the answer is that the fraternity field at that particular institution is so limited that the chapter must content itself with a small membership, if at the same time it maintains its high character, then it is time the fraternity consider the question of withdrawing from that institution. The fraternity cannot afford to risk its welfare upon the uncertainties of a small membership in any chapter. For, how frequently graduation, sickness or failure to remain in college reduces the membership, and the chapter is forced to repeat a discouraging and heroic attempt annually to continue its existence. With this condition continuing each year, what chance is there for the chapter to rightfully assume the power and influence which are the privilege of being a component part of our organization?

Again, how can a chapter of less than twelve men, three to each class, attain to the highest possible achievements for chapter, for individual, for fraternity? Even with that number, chapter house occupation is almost an impossibility. Sixteen men in a chapter more nearly approaches the ideal. A membership from sixteen to twenty removes all chances of disintegration, establishes the confidence which numbers always inspire and renders effective the powers which reside in the community of interest and unity of effort. Local conditions, and the fact of what rival fraternities do in this respect, should not govern. $\Phi K \Psi$ can be independent of these considerations. If the institution does not offer a field sufficient to carry out this policy, it is only too patent and the logical conclusion, that but one course is left, and that is the withdrawal of the fraternity from such a hazardous and precarious course of existence. . . .

The restrictions and regulations placed by the faculty upon the fraternity initiations of new students in various institutions have been growing in favor with college authorities and with the fraternities themselves. It is a wholesome move in the right direction. It will minimize the mistakes which every chapter has the sad experience of making at one time or another. The

postponement of initiations until some periods after the opening of the college year mitigates the asperity and avoids the rashness of a maddening contest of a few days in the beginning of the year, in which judgment and care could scarcely be exercised.

Of the 40 chapters, 38 issued circular letters in 1903, a very creditable record. All chapters meet weekly. Under the head of internal improvements, Mr. Monnette says that it is absolutely essential that each chapter shall, among other things, observe the following:

(1) Hold regular and dignified meetings. (2) Observe the constitution, by-laws and laws of the general organization. (3) Enact by-laws for its own guidance, and follow their requirements. (4) Conduct meetings with proper decorum and according to the rules of parliamentary law. (5) Keep carefully and completely the records which are required. (6) Require of each chapter officer his strict performance of duty. (7) Maintain the card index of membership. (8) Give prompt attention to all correspondence. (9) Undertake that the annual alumni letter shall be compiled and mailed out. (10) Observe that each issue of the *Shield* shall contain the required chapter letter. (11) Maintain the financial integrity of the chapter, by compelling each member to pay his obligations promptly, and by economically supervising all expenditures, and (12) above all, fulfilling all requirements of the general fraternity, including prompt remittances to cover all initiations and assessments. . . .

Love and zeal for $\Phi K \Psi$ do not consist in giving a lusty cheer on occasions where some personal demonstration is called for. Any one can do that. Or, wearing the symbol and insignia of the organization. Any one can do that. Or, appearing as a participant in all the social functions, where individuality counts for nothing. Any one can do that. Or, securing the attention of the world by flaunting in its face the fact of membership. Any one can do that. Or, joining as numerical addition merely the forces already progressing to victorious fields. Any one can do that. Or, simply finding place upon the great roll of membership, soon to be lost sight of in the thousands gone before. Any one can do that. Or, sluggishly and uncreditably paying fraternity dues because they are required. Any one can do that. No! No! No!! But, rather, let each ask himself himself the question. What am I individually worth to chapter, to organization, to $\Phi K \Psi$? What do I know about the history, its traditions, its purposes, its active life, its policy and its government? Let no one think he has the true spirit and the true zeal, unless he has mastered these things.

Of the 40 chapters, 14 own houses—Amherst, Cornell, Syracuse, Colgate, Gettysburg, Dickinson, Allegheny, West Virginia, Michigan, De Pauw, Purdue, Chicago, Wisconsin, Beloit. The Michigan house is valued at \$50,000; its furnishings at \$8,000. The Wisconsin house, bought last May, cost \$20,000, and was remodeled at a cost of \$6,800. The Cornell chapter, already possessing "a home with which almost any other chapter of the fraternity might be content, is contemplating a new structure," which "is intended to surpass anything of the kind in the fraternity world." Mr. Monnette says that the Purdue chapter has recently acquired "a splen-

did house and two vacant lots adjoining, and this, most noble Festus, is the chapter that some one wanted to refuse admission to $\Phi K \Psi$ three short years ago!"

Sixteen chapters rent houses—Columbia, Johns Hopkins, U. of Pa., W. & J., Franklin and Marshall, Vanderbilt, O. W. U., Wittenberg, Indiana, Northwestern, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, California, Stanford. The Stanford chapter complains: "All other fraternities at Stanford are situated on the campus, while we are in Palo Alto, a distance of one mile from the college grounds. This makes it hard for rushing, especially athletic men, as they have not time to go that distance. With a little co-operation and encouragement from our alumni, which is very lacking, we might be able to be on the campus also."

Four chapters own building lots—Bucknell, U. of Pa., Minnesota, Kansas. The lot at Minnesota "is worth \$3,000 and is entirely paid for," and the chapter expects to build on it in 1905. Plans have been drawn for a chapter house on the Lafayette campus. One chapter occupies apartments—Brooklyn Polytechnic. The 14 houses and 4 building lots owned by chapters are valued at \$213,300, on which there is a mortgage indebtedness of \$24,975. The 40 chapters own personal property valued at \$56,734, and they have miscellaneous debts amounting to \$1,875.

The blanks issued to chapters on which they are to report contains an inquiry as to what institutions they desire that $\Phi K \Psi$ shall enter. Mr. Monnette says:

All but six of the chapters have disclosed themselves as being definitely interested in extension propositions. The predominant movement commanding interest, as evinced by these chapter statements, is that the fraternity take steps towards establishing a chapter in the University of Texas. Next commanding attention is the University of Illinois. One Pennsylvania chapter is interested in Haverford College. Our New England chapters desire entrance into Williams College, Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Wesleyan University. One other chapter suggests Tulane. Interest in Texas is manifested in all quarters. The Illinois suggestion finds wider favor in the central and northwest part of our territory.

The Dartmouth chapter favors entrance into M. I. T. To a petitioning local society at Vermont, "no encouragement has been offered other than a fair and impartial hearing on claims presented; this is due any petitioning body." A petition from 15 students of Georgetown University, a prominent Catholic institution, received last November, was investigated by the executive committee and rejected. The Cleveland alumni association has given notice of "the renewal of

the petitions from local fraternities in the same institution which were rejected" by the last convention. Referring to Illinois, Mr. Monnette says "no petition has ever been presented," but "the executive committee has already, in anticipation of the presentation of such petition, unanimously ordered its submission to the chapters for a vote." The Mississippi chapter says that "adverse circumstances" have been "the lot of this chapter." It is "particularly anxious to see the fraternity enter Texas." Mr. Monnette acknowledges the "weakness" of $\Phi K \Psi$ in the south, and says: "To the thoughtful student of the situation, no further conclusion can come but that, to put forth the strongest influence in this quarter, there must be some work devoted to this region." Referring particularly to Texas, he writes frankly:

Of course all are familiar with the defeat of the one proposition which has been pending before the fraternity in various forms since 1892. Rejected at that time by one negative vote, it has apparently lost rather than gained, as the opposition is now represented by two chapters. In many particulars no petition to the fraternity has been presented in years which offered more satisfactory inducements than the one in question from the south. No reasonable argument has been presented against it. It has commanded enthusiastic support from its inception. Again, the necessity of extension in this quarter is so apparent that it seems the greatest folly to be so inconsiderate of the welfare of the fraternity as to reject this petition. If it were to be an experiment, some excuse for opposition might exist. But with a strong chapter with which to start, and which has already maintained a prosperous existence for several years as an independent organization, it is beyond comprehension that the wisdom of granting should be questioned.

Perhaps no defeat of an extension movement has caused the universal regret which has been the effect in the present case. It has been a disappointing and discouraging situation. It offers so much room for uneasiness over the suggestion of arbitrary action, which comes unbidden, that a fear for results is present. If the reasons for this movement are not well founded, it is doubtful if any sufficiently strong can be presented. Therefore, it practically means no further extension at all. It is a hard blow to true growth and progress. The dry rot may just as well be welcomed, for in such case it is already here. . . .

A rumor which persistently arises and will not down is current as to the policy of one chapter. It goes beyond any conservatism. It advocates no more extension. It goes still further, if the report may be believed, to a plan of eliminating and reducing the factors of the fraternity until something like sixteen chapters in number shall be left, which is considered to be the quintessence of perfect conditions. If this latter be true, it is a proposition inspired by selfishness, arrogance and unfraternal considerations.

By vote of the convention, \$1,000 has been paid to Mr. C. L. VanCleave, for his services as author of the history of $\Phi K \Psi$, reviewed in the February SCROLL. Mr. G. M. Walker has been elected editor of the history, a new edition of which may be published in 1910 but possibly not until 1925. He

proposes "a little handbook of about 75 pages for rushing or spiking purposes," editions of the same to be printed every other year, the first in 1905. A "pocket catalogue" has recently been "compiled, printed and presented to the chapters free of cost to them." A card catalogue was instituted by Mr. George Smart, but after serving ten years or more as catalogue editor, he has retired, and has been succeeded by Mr. S. R. Zimmerman. Local catalogues have been issued by the Phi Psis in New York City, Indiana, Minnesota and Colorado.

At the semi-centennial convention of $\Phi K \Psi$, 1902, Mr. W. G. Letterman was initiated. He is the son of one of the two founders of the fraternity. The convention appropriated \$200 to be paid to him each year for four years, to enable him to pursue his studies at college, and decided to increase the amount, by voluntary subscription, to \$500 a year. He is now at the University of Michigan. Mr. Monnette says that the voluntary subscription fell short \$108.40 in 1902-03 and "upon the current college year there has been contributed a total amount of less than \$20."

The biennial grand arch council (convention) of $\Phi K \Psi$ was held at Indianapolis, April 6-8. Illinois was endorsed as a place for a chapter. The application from Texas was withdrawn. The convention decided that the badge of the fraternity might be worn on a ring or a scarf pin but not on other forms of jewelry. This decision was on the ground that the sacredness of the badge is destroyed by its too common use. A change of fraternity colors was proposed, one reason being that it is difficult to produce a good heraldic effect with two such delicate tints as lavender and pink. The proposition being defeated, a committee was appointed to devise a coat-of-arms and a pennant. Mr. G. B. Baker, DePauw, '87, of Boston was elected president. The Indianapolis *Journal* reports "nearly 300 Phi Psis" at the banquet at the Claypool Hotel on the last evening of the convention. An ovation was given to James Whitcomb Riley. The following is clipped from the *Journal*, the first incident recalling a similar occurrence at our 1898 convention:

The playing of "Dixie" brought half the men in the room to their feet, with white napkins waving in the air, the Southerners leading in the demonstration, but followed closely by their Northern brothers.

At 12 o'clock, after coffee and cigars, an unwonted disturbance was created in the hall by the appearance of newsboys crying "Extra! the *Midnight Shield!*" Thereupon each guest was given a copy of a remarkable newspaper, the like of which had never before been seen, and copies of



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which, will be treasured by many for years. It was a clever burlesque on "yellow sheets" of the day, and purported to contain bits of startling information about Phi Psi's in general, and the grand arch council in particular. The front page of the paper contained in glaring headlines the news of the *Midnight Shield's* victory over the forces of corporate greed in the election of Mr. Baker to the presidency of the fraternity. The plan was conceived and carried out by local newspaper men who are members of the fraternity and by George B. Lockwood, secretary to Governor Durbin, who is the editor of the *Shield*, the official organ of Phi Kappa Psi.

THE PYX.

Owing to a change of both editors and printers, the February SCROLL was issued under some disadvantages. It was also issued in a hurry. It contains chapter letters dated as late as February 25. The last forms were printed March 9, and the edition was mailed March 11. We hope that it reached the great majority of our readers before Alumni Day. We are sure that all were pleased with the typographical appearance of the magazine under the new management. In the opinion of the editors, THE SCROLL is now handsomer than ever, and it is expected that this standard will be maintained. For this we have to thank our printers, the official printers of the fraternity, the George Banta Publishing Company, and especially the president of the company, Brother George Banta, ex-P. G. C., who has given close personal attention to the typographical details. This, the April number of THE SCROLL is issued during the month of April. Hereafter numbers may be expected to appear on time, and we expect that the June number will be out ahead of time. We intend to issue it by June 1, so as to reach chapters before college commencements. To do this we must have the co-operation of reporters, and we request them to send us chapter letters by May 5. Items of news sent as late as May 15 will be inserted in "The Pyx."

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The Missouri Gamma chapter house, 2832 Locust Street, St. Louis, will be open during next summer so that Phis who visit the World's Fair may have a convenient lodging place at moderate expense. The house contains six rooms besides a bath room. It is within one block of two through car lines running direct to the World's Fair, the ride consuming about

thirty minutes. It is within two blocks of three excellent restaurants. It is distant about fifteen minutes ride by car from the Union Station, where Phis will be met by appointment. Since the chapter expects many applications, and since the capacity of the house is limited, all Phis or their friends who desire to take advantage of this opportunity should write at once to Eugene Senseney, 2829 Washington Avenue, St. Louis.

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In "The Pyx" for June we desire to publish a list of summer addresses of reporters or of members to whom communications for the chapters may be sent. We will be greatly obliged if the reporter of every chapter will supply us with such address.

Chapters which have half-tone groups in this year's annals are requested to loan us the plates for use in the June SCROLL. We would be glad to use such plates if they are not larger in either dimension than a page of THE SCROLL. They should be marked on the bottom to indicate what chapters they represent, and should be sent prepaid to our printers, the George Banta Publishing Company, Menasha, Wis., and a notice of such shipment should be sent to us.

All readers of THE SCROLL are requested to send to us notices of the death of members, to appear in the June issue. The facts desired are the full names, chapters, classes, former residences, places and exact dates of death. Please send as many of these facts as may be known. We desire the record to include all deceased brothers, not before mentioned in the chapter grand, and to include all deaths up to May 1 of this year. Brief biographical sketches also will be acceptable.

Reporters are specially requested to furnish us with the information called for in the article headed "Fraternity Idioms," in *The Palladium* for March.

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The editors acknowledge, with much appreciation, the receipt of Michigan Alpha's very artistic invitation, bearing the chapter's seal, to her house warming and annual banquet on March 19; of the handsome dinner cards issued by the Phis of Richmond, Virginia, and of Cincinnati; and of letters of invitation to attend other Alumni Day celebrations which are described in the letters in this number.

B. M. L. Ernst, corresponding secretary of the New York Alumni Club, is endeavoring to complete the files of THE SCROLL for the library of the club. The SCROLLS wanted by him are as follows: Vol. 1, all numbers; Vol. 2, all numbers; Vol. 3, all numbers; Vol. 4, all numbers; Vol. 5, all numbers; Vol. 6, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7; Vol. 7, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6; Vol. 8, Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7; Vol. 9, No. 3; Vol. 14, No. 3.

Brother Ernst has the following duplicate numbers of THE SCROLL which can be had by those who wish them: Vol. 10, Nos. 1, 3, 5, 6, 7 and 9; Vol. 11, Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9; Vol. 12, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7; Vol. 13, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9; Vol. 23, No. 3; Vol. 24, No. 4; Vol. 25, Nos. 1, 3 and 4; Vol. 26, Nos. 2, 3 and 5; Vol. 27, Nos. 1, 2 and 5.

Brother Eugene T. Hammond, reporter of Michigan Alpha, writes that the chapter lacks the following numbers of THE SCROLL: Vols. 1 and 2; Vol. 3, No. 9; Vol. 4, No. 7; Vol. 5, No. 1 and supplement; Vol. 10, No. 4; Vol. 14, supplement.

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The March *Phi Delta Theta News*, of Philadelphia, contains the announcement that weekly lunches of alumni will be on Thursdays at "The Garrick," 13th, below Chestnut; also the following very interesting announcement in a letter from Brother Latham, the chapter reporter:

Pennsylvania Alpha quite recently has had the pleasure of entertaining Dr. McCluney Radcliffe, '77; Dr. John Balcom Shaw, '85, and Louis H. Allen, '94. They are members of the Alpha Chapter House Association and take an active interest. It is hoped that through their efforts, with the assistance of some of the Easton alumni, that the Lafayette boys will soon have a house. We understand that plans for a house have already been drawn and that several thousands of dollars has already been subscribed. The A K E fraternity is now comfortably located in their house adjoining the March Athletic Field.

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We eagerly seize an opportunity to note any chapter house movement. This time Illinois Delta is entitled to congratulations. In her handsome annual letter announcement is made that in conformity with the general trend of the fraternity world, Illinois Delta about a year ago started a chapter house fund. The fund has been growing steadily ever since until at present they have promissory notes, signed mostly by

the active men of last year and this year, to the amount of about \$2,400. Bro. G. D. Tunnicliff has been elected treasurer of the fund and is pushing the matter with the alumni. If they will respond as well, proportionately, as the active men, abundant success is assured.

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In addition to what is elsewhere given as to the very successful Richmond banquet, it may be said that the following are some of the prominent Virginia Phis: Circuit Judges J. W. G. Blackstone and Robert C. Jackson, Judges Thomas J. Barham, Lyman Chalkley, J. W. Fleet and W. M. Pierce; ex-State Senators Conway R. Sands and B. F. Buchanan; Hon. Clagett B. Jones and James W. Gordon, members of the recent Constitutional Convention; Hon. S. S. Lambeth, Jr., Rev. George Braxton Taylor, Carter Helm Jones, Thomas J. Shipman, John J. Clopton, H. M. Whaling, William J. Morton, Bishop W. L. Gravatt, of West Virginia; Professor R. C. Stearnes, of Roanoke, and Colonel George W. Miles, of Radford.

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Roehm & Son, Detroit, official jewelers, have on file the names of all local members of Phi Delta Theta, together with their addresses, for the convenience of visiting Phis. Their store is in the center of the shopping district and fraternity men are cordially invited to make that their headquarters for the receiving of mail, writing letters, meeting friends, etc.

Those who wish to go sight seeing will be instructed as to the most advantageous and pleasant trips. Detroit is a beautiful and famous summer town much visited by tourists. Most railroads allow stop-over privileges to through passengers.

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Delta Province will hold its convention on May 13 and 14 at Delaware, Ohio, the home of Ohio Beta. The Epsilon Province convention will be held in Indianapolis on April 29. Both of these conventions will be well attended. The Indianapolis Alumni are planning to make the banquet on April 29 the largest ever given by any fraternity in that city. Whatever they undertake they are very likely to perform. We feel sure that great good will come of these gatherings, for the enthusiasm of the Phis of these two provinces is unexcelled.

It gives us all sincere rejoicing to note from the Mississippi chapter letter in this number that the anti-fraternity bill lately pending in the legislature of Mississippi has been overwhelmingly defeated. This triumphant conclusion of a long and disgraceful fight is a vindication of the college fraternity and of the chapters in Mississippi. The editors have been familiar with the contemptible and mendacious attacks made by vicious enemies of the fraternities, and take keen pleasure in the fact that they have been completely thwarted and an outrageous and unnecessary agitation ended.

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Our brothers of Virginia have kindly sent us the 1903 *Corks and Curls*, the famous annual of the university. The very beauty of it in form and contents makes us crave, though vainly the space for a full review. It is doubtful if any other college annual has exhibited a more lavish observance of all that is necessary to the highest development of this kind of college publication. In handsome vari-colored binding again encased in an illuminated buckram cover it is a complete mirror of life in that venerable tradition-laden university. Every page is a model of the art of the printer or engraver. The artist's work is good and sometimes brilliant. The literary features are bright, including many excellent grinds and bits of verse. There is a series of beautiful views of the splendid old university buildings and grounds. At Virginia there are fifteen regular and three class fraternities, which is a very large number in proportion to the size of the student body. This beautiful book is dedicated to the memory of the late Major Walter Reed, a surgeon in the army and one of Virginia's distinguished graduates.

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Harvard University library has received, as a gift from Rev. Dr. Edward Everett Hale, '39, a number of personal papers of Elisha Parmale, 1778, the founder of the Harvard and Yale chapters of the Φ B K society. Among the papers are Parmale's will, notes on Chaldee grammar, and a Syriac oration delivered at a Harvard exhibition.

A NEW PHI DELTA THETA WATCH-FOB.

Herewith are illustrations of a fob or watch-key that was designed by Brother Walter B. Palmer, and is manufactured

by J. F. Newman, fraternity jeweler, 11 John Street, New York, N. Y. The design is in the form of an old-fashioned watch-key, and, in general outlines, resembles a Φ B K key. The obverse displays the emblems which appear on the alumnus button—a miniature badge on an enameled disc, with a light blue center, and a white border in which are six stars. These emblems surmount a square, on the four corners of which are engraved the figures 1848, the year Φ Δ Θ was

founded. On the reverse the head of Pallas is enameled, and in the four corners are engraved the four words of the open motto. The jewel includes a large number of Φ Δ Θ emblems, but without a crowded effect, and it is much more handsome than the cuts represent.



Φ Δ Θ Fob or
Watch-charm.
Obverse.



Φ Δ Θ Fob or
Watch-charm.
Reverse.

HELP CIRCULATE THE SCROLL.

By the March issue of the K A *Journal* we see that it has 430 alumni subscribers, a goodly number considering the size of the fraternity. It is very fortunate in having several members who are actively working for alumni subscriptions. We hope that our own members, graduate and undergraduate, will help us by soliciting Φ Δ Θ alumni to subscribe for THE SCROLL, thus benefiting the fraternity, the chapters, the subscribing alumni, and incidentally the editors. The *Journal* says: "Isn't it a little remarkable that of the 206 new subscribers added during the present session more than half have been secured by five men. Suppose twenty-five had worked as hard as have these five. To day we would have 1,000 alumni subscribers."

We note that Σ A E requires each active chapter to collect one dollar from every member in each year's graduating class for a year's subscription to the public and secret magazine of

that fraternity. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has no such law, but all must realize that the fraternity would be greatly stimulated and strengthened by an increased circulation of THE SCROLL and *The Palladium*. We request the reporter of each alumni club to canvass the alumni in his city, and the reporter of each college chapter to canvass the local alumni, and to solicit subscriptions from members of this year's graduating class. The subscriptions of seniors will not begin until the September *Palladium* is issued, and need not be paid until then, but we would like to have the names and addresses now.

ALPHA PROVINCE CONVENTION.

In response to a number of inquiries for information about the recent Alpha Province convention at Syracuse and in order that it may be a matter of record the names of those who attended the convention and a number of figures are appended.

The total number of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ who registered at the convention was 74, representing every chapter of the 18 in Alpha Province with the single exception of Allegheny. In addition Ohio State was represented by President John Edwin Brown and there were four representatives of the Delta Chi Society at Pennsylvania State College, applicants for a charter of Phi Delta Theta. The representation by chapters was as follows: Syracuse, 42; Cornell, 5; Columbia, 4; Brown, 3; Gettysburg, Vermont, Union and Washington and Jefferson, 2 each and one each from the following institutions: Ohio State, McGill, Pennsylvania, Williams, Amherst, Lafayette, Dickinson, Lehigh, Dartmouth and Colby. Those who registered at the convention are as follows: Syracuse—Edward D. Rich, '92; Dr. Charles F. Wiley, '92; Dr. M. P. Tipps, Jacob Robert Rubin, '04 (delegate), W. W. Nichols, of Rochester; C. W. Mills of Sodus, N. Y.; Frank M. Edson of Binghamton, N. Y.; Frank I. Crigg, Edward C. Ryan, E. P. Turner, James Divine, W. F. Hodge, M. R. Sanford, H. D. Sanford, Frederick Cagwin, H. F. Russell, R. Williamson, James Madden, Andrew Gillis Taft, Roy Smith, Seymour Smith, F. W. Whitney, James Graves, Walter H. Griffiths, Jesse Marthins, H. W. Remer, Steward Harrison, Clare C. Bateman, George G. Merry, Frederick Jones, C. P. Terry, E. K. Twombly, Arthur Hollingworth, Emmett House, J. R. Distin, C. T. Robertson, Edwin Miller, S. T. Tane, Frederick Jackson, H.

Hammond, T. O. Bonine, and R. H. Whitney. Cornell—E. J. Snow, (delegate), Ray B. Poole of Utica, N. Y.; T. R. Ellis of Clayton, N. Y.; Q. F. Barker and D. S. Hunkins. Columbia—Thomas Miller, Jr., '05, (delegate), Edwin Hoyt Updike, '04; Herman Simon Riederer, '02 and Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, '99. Brown—Tristram M. Phetteplace, president of Alpha Province, New England States; Prof. Irving L. Foster and E. S. McIntyre, (delegate). Gettysburg—George S. Eppler, (delegate) and Charles T. Aikens. Vermont—H. E. Cunningham, (delegate) and P. O. Ray. Union—W. H. Guardinier, (delegate) and Francis E. Cullen of Oswego. Washington and Jefferson—Dr. John Alexander Mathews and E. M. McElroy, (delegate). Ohio State—Dr. John Edwin Brown. Colby—G. D. Coy, (delegate). Dartmouth—C. K. Woodbridge, (delegate). Pennsylvania—A. E. Goodin, (delegate). McGill—Albert C. Sellery, (delegate). Williams—Albert P. Newell, (delegate). Amherst—U. S. Clark, (delegate). Lafayette—John McGill Cooper, (delegate). Dickinson—M. G. Baker, (delegate). Lehigh—H. G. Bonner, (delegate).

B. M. L. ERNST.

The Harvard athletic committee has decided to extend the four-year playing rule to all branches of sport, as well as to the four main branches, baseball, football, rowing, and track athletics. Up to the present time men have been allowed to play on minor teams, such as the cricket and basketball teams, as many years as they choose, but according to the new rule there will be no more of this, and a strict interpretation will be placed on the rule in all questions that may come up. The new rule just passed reads: "No student, whether he has represented one or more colleges, shall take part in intercollegiate contests for more than four years."

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Statistics recently published at Indiana University show that of the women graduates between the years 1869 and 1890, more than 70 per cent. married. In the last thirteen years the percentage has been reduced to about thirty.

That college undergraduates, who see nothing beyond the next athletic victory, and the means to that immediate end, should strain the amateur rules in an effort to get a winning team, is not surprising; but it is amazing to find alumni stricken with the same myopia. The Harvard *Bulletin*, an organ of the graduates who are interested in athletics, is solemnly arguing that "if a man is a real, bona-fide student in a college, there is certainly no moral reason why he should not receive his expenses for playing baseball in the summer, if he wants to do it, and then play on his college team afterwards." This is an interesting case of mental confusion. There is no moral resaon why a student should not play on a professional nine and receive \$5,000 for his services; but there is every reason why men who are professionals should be kept off college amateur teams. The *Bulletin* itself admits that to draw the line between the "real professional" and the man who receives only a "nominal sum" is difficult; and the experience of the Brown University Athletic Board proves that to make the distinction is impossible. There must be a hard and fast rule or none. Yet a team open to professionals is sure to become professional. The genuine amateurs will be crowded off, and college athletics will no longer have the slightest reason for existence.—New York *Evening Post*.

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The students living in the University of Pennsylvania dormitories have united in a protest against an increase in rents. The university authorities raised the rents last year because of the coal strike, but promised to reduce them this year. Instead they have raised them, and there is prospect of another raise soon. The tenants threaten to leave the dormitories next year if the rents are not reduced. They claim that with the increased rents only the wealthy students will be able to live at the dormitories.

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The University of Pennsylvania has issued a Spanish edition of its catalogue, to be distributed among South American schools.

A matter which has been considerably discussed, not only in university circles but also in the daily press throughout the province and in the legislature, is the granting of land and loaning of money by the board of trustees of the University of Toronto to aid the fraternities in building chapter houses. The point has been raised that this is giving an undue preference to a small body of the undergraduates, only about 4 per cent. of whom are members of the various international fraternities here represented. It is also claimed in some quarters that the fraternities exercise an influence which is not at all desirable. This statement is a relic of the days, twenty years ago, when there was but one fraternity represented in Toronto, and a very violent spirit of antagonism existed. Already Kappa Alpha has built an attractive chapter house on university property, and other fraternities have applied for building sites and it will be interesting to see what the action of the trustees will be.—Toronto correspondence of *Δ Y Quarterly* for March.

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Minnesota schools now insist that young men who teach shall be able to train aspiring youth in football. Away with this shilly-shallying plan of making football elective! Let it be henceforth the universal study. Minnesota will stand no more nonsense.—*New York World*.

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Brothers who are sending the *Lafayette*, the *Gettysburgian*, the *Union Concordiensis*, the *Purdue Exponent*, the *Chicago Daily Maroon* and other papers to the recent editors of THE SCROLL will oblige by changing the address to that of the present editor.

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Prof. J. D. Prince, of Columbia, says: "Of the two classes of students who go to college, the country boys are the more earnest, and more of them succeed, especially where there are many sons of wealthy men among the students."

President Elliot of Harvard says in his annual report that of all sports that which has been conducted at Cambridge with the least intelligence and success is football—except from a pecuniary point of view. The trouble with football is that it has been Rockefellered. The end has been lost sight of in a too sedulous cultivation of means. The idea of sport has been lost out of it. Everything has been sacrificed to "success," with the result that success itself has been sacrificed. There is no joy in Harvard football; no light, no sweetness; no real success; nothing but bitter competition and a profit of about \$60,000 a year.—*Harper's Weekly*.

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The addition of \$350,000 to the endowment fund of Syracuse University, the gift of the late J. J. Belden and J. D. Lyman of Syracuse, will be used for the construction of a new building for the engineering department, and for scholarship aids. L. C. Smith, formerly president of the Smith-Premier Typewriter Company, and donor of the new college of applied science building has announced his intention of erecting four other structures to complete a quadrangle for the engineering branches. A new gymnasium and chemical laboratory are also being planned by Chancellor J. R. Day.

PHIS AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

St. Louis Phi Delta Thetas have concluded arrangements for a common time and place for members of the fraternity to meet during the World's Fair. The week of July 11-18 has been selected as the time and the Hotel Hamilton as the place. This hotel is situated in the West End, about ten minutes walk from the main entrance of the Fair Grounds. For the week a rate to Phis of \$2 a day, on the European plan, will be given, and reservations for that week will be accepted until June 20. Brother Switzler has contributed for the May *Palladium* an excellent detail of the arrangements. This is an admirable way by which hundreds of Phis ought to get together, and it is earnestly hoped that all of us will arrange to take advantage of it.

Last year's movement in favor of establishing freshman societies has been revived more actively than ever. It meets with opposition among some members of the faculty, who think that freshman-year studies are the groundwork of the college course, and that the freshmen already have enough outside interests. On the other side, is urged the lack of unity in the large freshman classes and their loose connection with the classes above them. A proposition to admit freshmen to the junior-sophomore fraternities failed some time ago, as the fraternity halls were considered too small.—Yale correspondence of the New York *Evening Post*.



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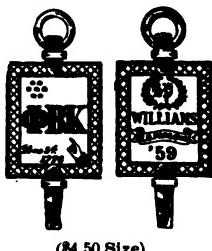
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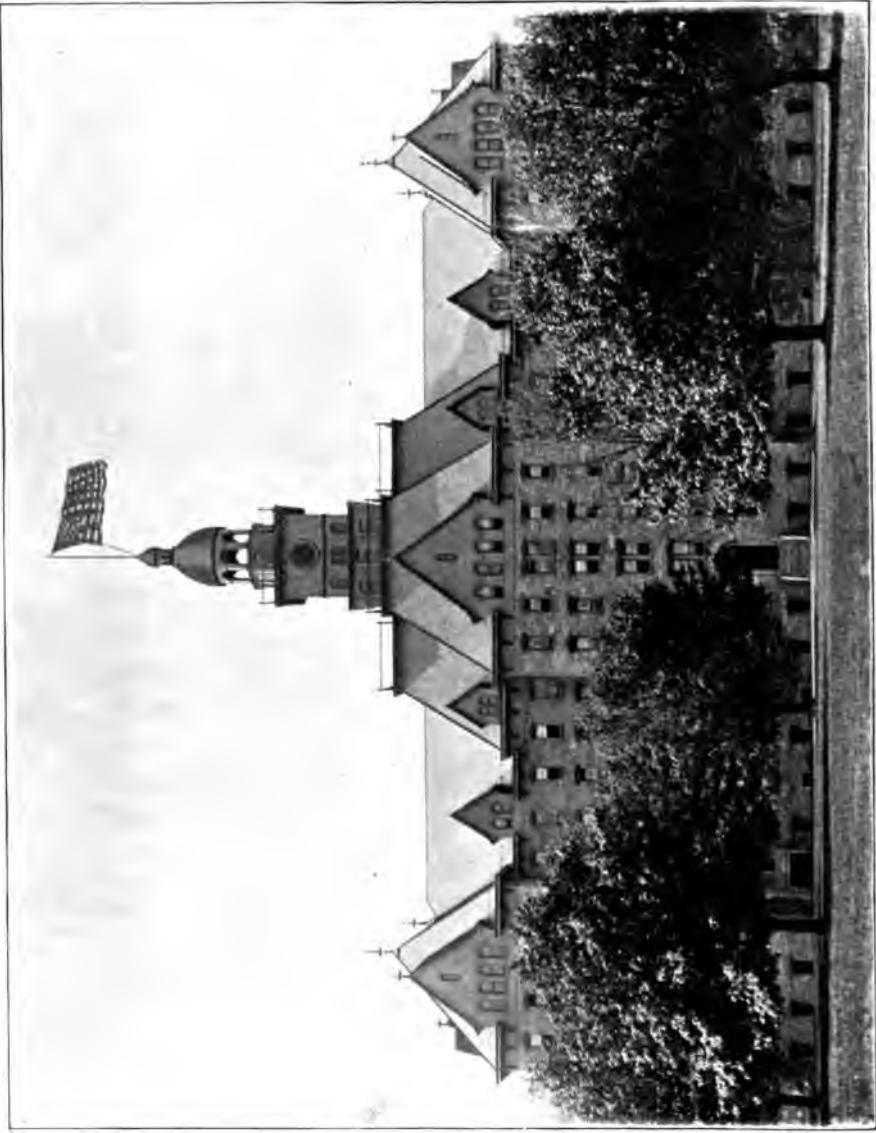
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This institution was founded in 1859, but did not formally receive the name of The Pennsylvania State College until 1874, when the state appropriated to it the income from the proceeds of the national land grant. From this it can be seen that it is young in comparison with many of the colleges of the country. Yet in growth and development it has surpassed some of the oldest, and today ranks as the largest institution of learning in the centre of the great commonwealth in which it is situated, and second only to the University of Pennsylvania in the whole state.

The college is beautifully located in the borough of State College, about twelve miles southwest of Bellefonte, the county seat of Centre county. Surrounded as it is by mountains on all sides, the scenery is delightful from any direction, and the climate, from its high elevation, most healthful. It is an ideal spot for a college and the wisdom of the selection by its founders has been demonstrated in many ways.

The grounds of the college consist of a campus and two farms, containing in the aggregate four hundred acres. The section on which the buildings stand includes about three hundred acres, sixty of which are beautifully adorned and laid out, and constitute the campus. About forty acres are natural forest, and the rest is conducted as a model farm. The other hundred acres is set apart for the Experiment Station farm, where practical tests can be made along the line of agriculture and horticulture. The amount of land at the disposal of the college furnishes room for athletic sports of all kinds and there are tennis courts in abundance, as well as a fine athletic field.

The educational plant of the institution is complete and valuable, its estimated cost being \$1,500,000. There are at present thirteen college buildings on the campus: Main Building, Mechanic Arts Building, Botanical Laboratory, Chemical



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and Physical Laboratory, Armory, Ladies' Cottage, Library, Auditorium, Calorimeter Building, New Agricultural Building, Agricultural Building, Experiment Station and Track House. Of these the first two are of stone, the next eight of brick, and the last three, frame structures.

The main building is a substantial structure of magnesian limestone, 240 feet in length, 80 feet in width, and five stories in height, exclusive of basement and attic. It contains the chapel, library, museums, class-rooms, and about one hundred dormitories. It is lighted with electricity, heated with steam, and provided with all conveniences and appliances



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looking to the comfort, safety and health of those who live in it.

The mechanic arts building is of brown stone, three stories high, exclusive of a well-lighted basement, and has a frontage of 266 feet, and an extreme depth of 208 feet. It was erected for the accommodation of the engineering departments and was carefully planned with the view to meet the needs of these several branches of instruction. It was amply provided with lecture rooms, laboratories, testing-rooms, etc., all of which are equipped with the most modern appliances.

During the past two years the college has been fortunate in receiving definite gifts for much needed buildings. Mr. and

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Mrs. Charles M. Schwab presented the institution with an auditorium costing \$150,000 which is one of the most striking structures on the campus. It is of buff brick and accommodates 1500 persons,

Mr. Andrew Carnegie has also given \$150,000 for the erection of a library which will be dedicated soon. One of the most sightly locations on the campus has been chosen for it, and it is a worthy addition to our present collection of handsome structures.

The last state legislature appropriated \$250,000 to be expended in the construction of an agricultural building. The building, when completed, will be one of the best fitted structures for agricultural purposes in the country, as no pains are to be spared to make it perfect in every respect.

The calorimeter building for the testing of best values of cattle foods is the only one of its kind in the world and is under the joint control of the State of Pennsylvania and the United States Government.

The track house, besides containing the training table, dressing, and trophy rooms, accommodates about thirty-five students. It was erected at a cost of \$10,000.

In addition to these there are rumors, and substantial rumors too, that in the near future our friends will give us a social hall to cost \$100,000 or \$150,000, and a complete engineering building to cost in the neighborhood of \$500,000. When these are completed, State College will have as fine a group of buildings as can be found on the campus of any collegiate institution.

In addition to these there are twelve homes for the heads of departments, all well built and attractive in every way. They are mostly of brick, and form a picturesque group, as they are every one located in a pleasant and sightly part of the campus.

The principal income of the college is derived from the proceeds of the sale of public lands donated to the state by the general government for college purposes. The state holds these proceeds in trust, for which it has given its bond for \$500,000, on which the college receives interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum. An additional sum of \$25,000 a year is appropriated to the college by Congress. As it is the state collegiate institution, the state legislature appropriates a varying amount at each biennial session, this amount to be paid one-half each year. Last session the college received \$150,000 for purposes of maintenance. Everything points to the fact



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PENNSYLVANIA STATE COLLEGE—CAMPUS VIEWS.

that the state will have the interest of this institution at heart most carefully in the future, and will see to it that proper support is given for fulfillment of its mission in the highest degree.

Its educational scheme is built up in accord with the requirements of the act of Congress creating the land grant colleges. Its scope is of the broadest type, therefore, touching on the one hand classical studies, and on the other technical, including agriculture. "*Instruction must also be given in every branch which pertains to a liberal and practical education in the several pursuits and professions of life.*" This is a plan which is all embracing in its character, offering the student a wide latitude of choice, and thereby fitting him thoroughly for his life work. Theoretical and practical instruction is combined in such a way that the graduates are well prepared to enter their several callings, and their success in the business and professional world is amply justifying the wisdom of an education of this kind.

The courses of instruction occupy four years, and are at present organized under two heads:

(a) General courses: including general science, classical, Latin science and philosophy.

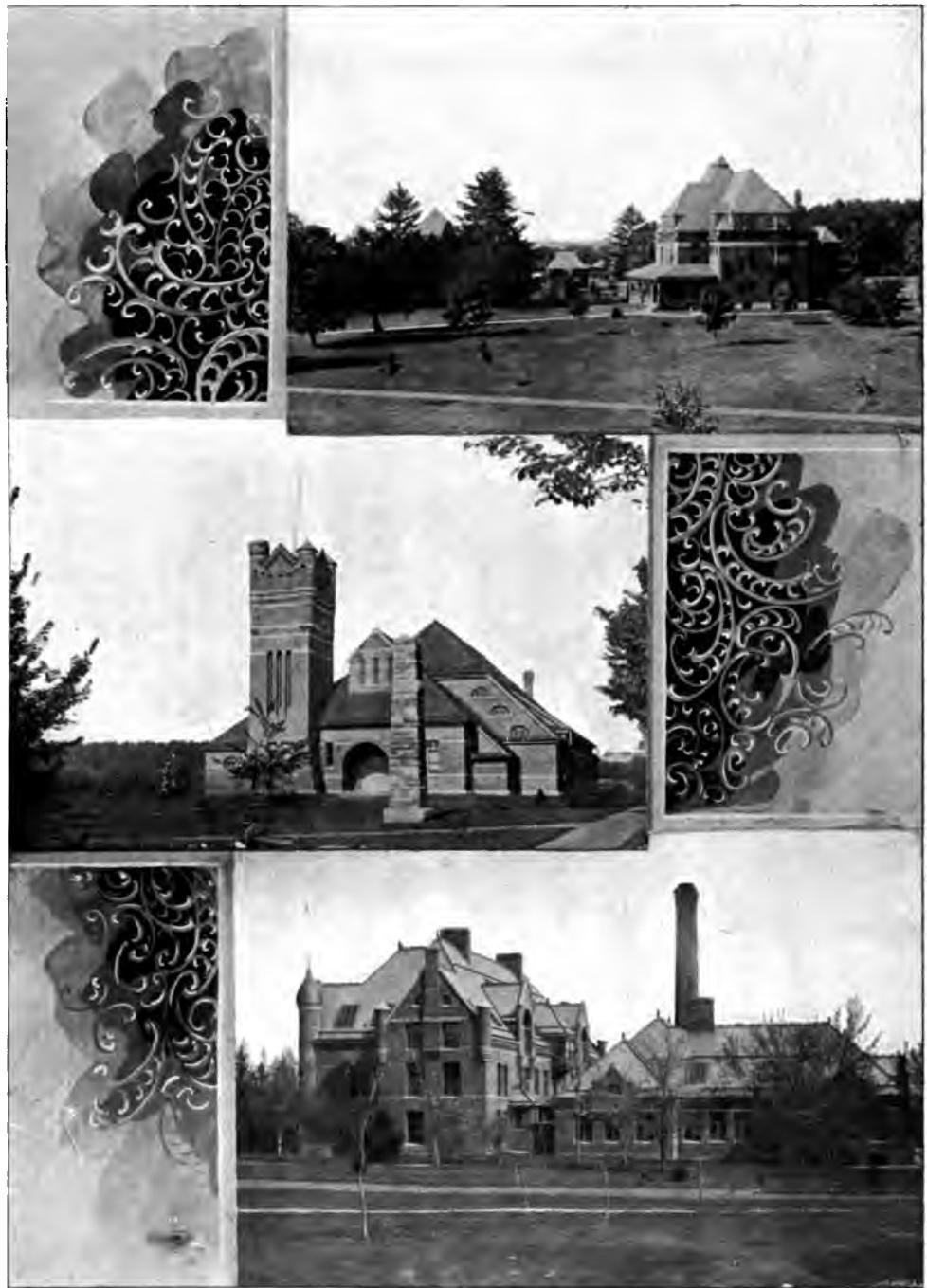
(b) Technical courses; including agriculture, biology, chemistry, physics, mathematics, and civil, mechanical, electrical and mining engineering.

Besides these there are six short courses; three in agriculture, one each in chemistry and mining, with an elementary course in mechanics.

The degree of B. S. is conferred upon the graduates in each course, except the classical, work in which leads to the degree of B. A. The advanced degrees, M. E., C. E., E. E., E. M., M. S., are granted upon completion of certain required work.

Instruction in the several departments is given by a force of 65 teachers graduated from the best colleges of the East and West. Of this number 30 are professors and assistant professors, and 35, instructors. All are well-trained men, masters in their individual lines of work, and instructors of experience. No matter what course a student may take he is sure of getting most excellent training in every respect.

The students now enrolled number 670, divided among the classes as follows: seniors, 71; juniors, 111; sophomores, 134; freshmen, 290; sub-freshmen, 40; graduate students, 7; special students, 5. Besides these here have been registered



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during the year 36 students taking the creamery course, and 25 taking the short course in agriculture. The college also carries on a correspondence school in agriculture and kindred branches, in which 2,100 students in various portions of the country are enrolled. This swells the grand total of those receiving instruction this current year to more than 2800. It has a large and influential alumni list, and its graduates are occupying positions of trust and responsibility throughout this country and in England.

The various student activities are well represented. The teams which State College has sent out in football, baseball and basket ball have always been a credit to it, and their



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reputation is not confined to the limits of the state. The larger institutions, even the so-called Big Four, have been met upon the gridiron and the diamond and not infrequently victory has perched upon the banners of the blue and white. The track team has always made a good showing and has come off victorious in the larger percentage of its meets with colleges in the state. There is no less enthusiasm in the literary line. "State" supporting a monthly, *The Free Lance*, and an annual, *La Vie*, published by the members of the junior class. There is also a debating club, a brass band, an

orchestra and two dramatic organizations, the Thespians and the Pharonians. Each engineering department has a society connected with it to which the students and teachers in that department belong. The scientific students are banded together into what is called the Natural History Club. The students in agriculture are organized into a fraternity named Alpha Zeta. Last fall an athletic society was formed to which only those having won an "S" in some branch of athletic sports are eligible. The Young Men's Christian Association is in excellent condition, numbering more than 250 members and employing a general secretary.

There are at present seven fraternities, excluding Pennsylvania Theta of Phi Delta Theta, with an aggregate membership of 144. These represented are in order of establishment: $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$ (1881), $B\Theta\Pi$ (1888), $\Phi K\Sigma$ (1890), ΣX (1892), $K\Sigma$ (1892), $\Sigma A E$ (1892), $\Phi\Sigma K$ (1899). Of these $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$, $B\Theta\Pi$ and $\Phi\Sigma K$ own their houses, while the others rent. The houses are all above the average of those used for such purposes and make a good showing. The fraternities are all strong and well regarded, and there is ample room for another. Pennsylvania Theta, starting in as it does with brilliant prospects and a good, healthy membership, and with a large field to select from, is bound to develop into a powerful aggregation and be an honor to the fraternity to which it belongs.

DELTA CHI.

Several ineffectual attempts had been made previous to the fall of 1902 to establish a chapter of Phi Delta Theta in State College. In September of that year Carl S. Forkum, a Phi from Washington and Jefferson College, entered the sophomore class and the matter was again agitated. The institution had increased in numbers so rapidly and had attained such prominence that it was deemed advisable to make another trial. Accordingly a conference of the Phis here, Bros. Aikens, *Gettysburg*, '86 and Wyman, *Colby*, '86, was held at my house and, after mature deliberation, Bro. Forkum was delegated to go ahead and select suitable men to be considered at a subsequent meeting. In this way a nucleus was formed, several desirable men pledging themselves to the undertaking during the next few months.

Bro. John Dallas, of Lehigh University, entered as a special student in mechanical engineering in February, 1903, and at once became greatly interested in the movement. Under the direction of Bros. Dallas and Forkum the pledged men

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banded themselves together in a local under the name of Delta Chi on April 21, 1903. The avowed purpose of the organization was to perfect plans for petitioning Phi Delta Theta for a charter, and the members bound themselves to work together for that end. A constitution, defining the objects of the society, was adopted, April 28, and was signed by eleven men as follows: From 1904—R. W. Bowers, T. J. Bryson, N. G. Miller, P. O. Noble; from 1905—John Dallas, L. W. Cooper, C. S. Forkum, R. G. Lose; from 1906—C. E. Culp, H. B. Etter, Wm. McCleary. A ritual containing the secret work, opening and closing ceremonies, and the order of proceedings for the meetings was adopted May 5.

In June a prospectus of the college and local was prepared and on the 10th of that month copies were mailed to every chapter in the fraternity and to the general officers. A petition was also sent to the General Council praying for a charter. Letters were subsequently sent to each chapter in Alpha Province asking their help and influence. The college year closed with the work fully organized and the society in good condition. A three year's contract had been signed with Bro. Aikens for the house to be vacated by the Σ A E fraternity and arrangements made to move in as soon as college opened in the fall.

When work began in September only ten men of the local appeared, Mr. Etter having decided to enter a medical college in New York City. After some hard rushing they succeeded in pledging seven others: From 1905—H. R. Geib; from 1906—W. R. Fleming; from 1907—J. C. Cosgrove, W. G. Felmeth, C. R. Garrett, J. S. Keller, F. O. Leitzell. In October another prospectus was sent out to the fraternity in general, and personal letters to each chapter in Alpha Province. Encouraging replies were received from almost everyone, and votes were promised for the Province Convention, to be held in Syracuse in November.

Bro. P. O. Ray, Vermont, '98, had joined the faculty at the opening of college and became of great help to us in presenting a solid front at the convention. The local sent Messrs. Cooper, Dallas, Keller, McCleary and Felmeth, who were accompanied by Bros. Aikens, Ray and myself. Practically no opposition developed in the course of the proceedings and when the matter came to a vote the petition was endorsed unanimously. It was then submitted to the General Council who ratified the vote without dissent.

PENNSYLVANIA THETA CHAPTER HOUSE.



In March a new prospectus was issued, giving the progress of the movement up to that date. One new name had been added since the last issue, H. K. Dimelow, '07. Two names were also missing: Wm. McCleary, '06, who had left to enter Lehigh where he joined Phi Delta Theta, and J. S. Keller, '07, who was forced to leave on account of illness. During this month the question was submitted to the fraternity at large and the necessary votes were obtained for the granting of the charter. A few weeks ago R. M. Carson, '06, and G. J. Bailey, '07, were initiated, so Pennsylvania Theta will consist of seventeen good men and true at the start. Other men are under consideration and, if all goes well, the new chapter will begin the next college year under the brightest auspices, ready to become one of the banner chapters in Pennsylvania and in the whole fraternity.

IRVING L. FOSTER, *Brown*, '93.

ACROSTIC—"A PHI DELTA THETA".

Several months ago Bro. James F. Gookins, Indiana Beta, '64, designer of the first coat-of-arms of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, wrote to us about the following poem. Of the author, Bro. William R. Higgins, Indiana Beta, '61, Bro. Gookins, who is himself a poet as well as an artist, wrote: "He was one of the finest poets we ever had, and one of the noblest of This." The poem was printed in *The Wabash*, February, 1860. Bro. Gookins writes that Bro. Higgins was one of the editors of that periodical "as long as he was in college, that is until he went to Lane Theological Seminary." At that time Indiana Beta was still *sub rosa*, on account of the opposition of the faculty of Wabash to secret societies. Probably the fact that the poem is an acrostic was then unsuspected outside the mystic circle. Bro. Will H. Hays, president of Epsilon province, kindly searched the files of *The Wabash* in the college library, found the poem and supplied us with a copy.

FIDES:

Among the things which "beautiful" we name,
Pronouncing it a virtue rich and rare,
Holding for breach of it the mightiest blame,
Is that true faith which all men wear
During the period when their souls are pure:
E'en wear it as a jewel, deem it much,
Leaving it only when their hearts are sewers
Through which base passions move—even such

As take man's nature from him, leaving there
 The sediment of selfishness, and wear
 Horrible channels for impurer waves.
 Ere thou dost lose this gem, reflect, O man!
 That this especially keeps Satan under ban,
 And that 'tis holy faith alone the soul immortal saves.

W.M. K. HIGGINS.

THE UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

One hundred years ago the four men who formed the first class graduated from the University of Vermont were seniors. Thirteen years before, in 1791, the state legislature had accepted from Gen. Ira Allen a large sum of money and fifty acres of land for a university, but owing to Gen. Allen's enforced absence abroad the charter of 1791 did not become operative until 1800. In that year the Rev. Daniel C. Sanders took at his home a class of four men, who after a year of preparatory study entered upon their college course in 1801 and were graduated in 1804. From this small beginning the growth of the University of Vermont has been steady, except for two periods when war interfered. In 1812, the Champlain Valley was one of the centers of conflict and the college building was used by the United States troops as an arsenal and barracks. Consequently, the members of the senior class were given their degrees and the underclassmen were advised to go to other colleges. Reorganization was effected in 1815, since when there has been no suspension of exercises. The civil war drew away almost half the students who were in college at the commencement of hostilities, and prevented many who would have entered from so doing, but yet a small class was graduated each year. Not a few are the honored names of those who went from the University of Vermont to join in the conflict for the preservation of the Union. In the college chapel is a tablet to the memory of twenty-one heroes who gave their lives as an offering at that time. Since the war the university has enjoyed continuous prosperity.

The location of "Vermont" is most fortunate. The city of Burlington enjoys an extended reputation for beauty of situation enhanced by pleasant, shaded streets and sightly dwellings. The city is located on the east shore of Lake Champlain, at the point where the prospect over lake, valley and mountain is widest. The city is built on a series of terraces that rise gently and extend a mile back from the lake. On the last and highest terrace, over a hundred feet above



PRESIDENT'S HOUSE.

THE UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.
LIBRARY.
SCIENCE HALL.

OLD COLLEGE.

the lake, are the university buildings. These are twelve in number and constitute, with the fifty acres of campus and park upon which they are situated, as goodly an equipment as will be found among the smaller colleges of America.

The original college building was completed in 1803 and completely destroyed by fire in 1824. The corner stone of the new building was laid by Lafayette in 1825. "The Old Mill," as it is called, was completely remodeled in 1884. Its length is 250 feet, greatest width 68 feet and height of spire 150 feet. Here are the chapel, the administrative offices, recitation rooms and rooms for students.

The Billings library was presented to the university in 1885 by the Hon. Frederick Billings of the class of 1844. The building, one of the finest specimens of Romanesque architecture in America, was designed by H. H. Richardson, the greatest of American architects, by whom it was considered his masterpiece. The material is brown stone. The design is simple, massive and graceful, rich and quiet. The books, which number almost 70,000 volumes, are shelved in alcoves, to which the students have direct access.

The museum building was for many years the President's house, but on the erection of the present "President's Mansion" was moved to its present site just east of the latter.

The engineering building, a large brick structure just east of the museum, contains, besides recitation rooms, complete apparatus for the study and practical application of engineering.

The experiment station, at the south extremity of the college park, contains recitation rooms, library, laboratories, offices and dormitories of the State Agricultural College.

The Williams science hall, standing between the "Mill" and the library, extends 175 feet along University Place. It is built of brick and terra-cotta, and has three main floors besides a large basement and attic. The departments of chemistry, physics, biology and electricity have spacious laboratories and testing rooms in this building, which is strictly fireproof and contains all the most approved modern appliances for instruction and research.

The Converse dormitory, a building constructed from blue Rutland marble, rockfaced, in the collegiate-gothic style, consists in three separate halls joined in one structure about an open court. In its four stories are forty-eight suites containing one study and two bed rooms each. The heating is by steam, but each study contains a fire-place. This building was presented to the university by J. H. Converse, '61.

UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT—THE BILLINGS LIBRARY



The medical college building, which faces the park on the north, directly opposite the agricultural college, was gutted by fire last October. The cornerstone of a new and larger building will be laid during the commencement exercises this July.

The gymnasium, completed in October, 1901, is the gift of the students, faculty and alumni of the university. The material is brick and red sandstone, and with its main room, 60x120 feet, running track, bowling alleys, swimming tank, armory, gallery and locker rooms is adapted to the use of a much larger number of students than are at present in the university.

Besides the above buildings there are the baseball cage, the commons hall and the dormitory for the women of the college. The total material equipment of the university is worth over \$1,000,000. The increasing number of students and faculty have made the expenses of maintenance so great that an endowment has become necessary. The alumni are at present raising \$1,000,000 as an endowment to celebrate the centennial of the college, which occurs in July of this year.

The college itself, although chartered as a university, has not quite the stature that its name indicates. Yet it is larger in scope than the ordinary college. There are the departments of arts, sciences, agriculture and medicine, all of which are united under the administration of one board of trustees. The president is Dr. Matthew H. Buckingham, of the class of 1851. The faculty consists of about seventy-five professors and instructors in all departments, among whom are many men of marked scholastic and administrative ability.

The fraternities having chapters in college are, in the order of their founding, $\Gamma\Gamma$ (local,) $\Sigma\Phi$, $\Delta\Psi$ (local,) $\Phi\Delta\Theta$, $A\Tau\Omega$, $K\Sigma$, $\Sigma\Tau$, and $\Delta\Sigma$ (local.) The sororities are $K\Alpha\Theta$, $\Delta\Delta\Delta$, $H\Beta\Phi$. The four older fraternities are the strongest and take the lead in the activities of the college.

The literary life of the students finds expression in the *University Cynic*, a bi-weekly, and the *Ariel*, an annual published by the junior class. A debating club is well supported by the students. Other organizations are the Histrionic Develings, the dramatic club whose membership is honorary, and the Cotillion Club, whose members are taken from the four oldest fraternities. The various departments have clubs also. The number of students at present enrolled in college is 566, of whom 341 are academic and 225 are medical students. About



UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT—THE WILLIAMS SCIENCE HALL.

fifty per cent of the academic students are members of fraternities. The medics support three fraternities: ΔM , ΦX , and $A K K$. These are little more than quiz clubs. There is also a chapter of $\Phi B K$ to which academs alone are eligible.

VERMONT ALPHA.

In connection with the centennial of the university, Vermont Alpha, the pioneer chapter of Phi Delta Theta in New England, will celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary. In 1879 a charter was granted to G. E. Bertrand, C. F. B. Haskell,



VERMONT ALPHA—CHAPTER HOUSE.

H. M. Woods, J. W. Dodds, E. A. Enright, E. C. Lane, F. O. Sinclair, C. H. Hayden, G. E. Sawyer and A. H. Wheeler. These ten men and the two hundred who have come after them have always striven loyally to maintain a creditable chapter of Phi Delta Theta. They have won their share of honors both in college and in active life. The members of the chapter have always endeavored to maintain a record for high scholarship. Numerous entrance prizes won are an earnest of the kind of men taken in, numerous prizes during the college course are proof of the wisdom of our selection



THE VERMONT CHAPTER.

and numerous Φ B K keys show that our men keep in the front rank in scholarship. In 1902, four out of six of our seniors were elected to Φ B K, in 1903, two out of nine, in 1904, two of our four seniors will be among the first six in the class and will probably receive their keys. Every commencement some



VERMONT ALPHA IN BASEBALL.

PECK **BROOKS** **VARNUM (Manager)**
ORTON (Captain)

alumnus of the chapter comes up for his master's degree. Yet we do not place scholarship ahead of good fellowship. We are not a chapter of grinds, but we cannot help seeing that the men who are most successful in their college work are also most true friends and most loyal fraternity men.

The active chapter at present is composed of twenty-six men—four seniors, four juniors, ten sophomores and eight freshmen. In addition there are three alumni and one ex-member of the chapter attending the medical department—Morse '01,



VERMONT ALPHAIN FOOTBALL.

PARLER	MORSE (Captain 1900)
GRAY (Asst. Mgr.)	PIERCE (Captain 1903)
ORTON	PECK (Mgr.)
	NEWTON (Captain 1904)

Med. '05, Brooks and Wheeler '03, Med. '06, and Orton, ex-'04, Med. '07. Bro. Briggs, '04, is also taking his first year in the medical department. The Phis in the faculty are: M. W. Andrews, '99, registrar and instructor in English, under whom the freshman work in English has been made a success



PUPS FROM PEOPLES ACADEMY, MORRISVILLE, VERMONT. (See footnote on next page.)

for the first time in some years; F. K. Jackson, instructor in physiology; and C. D. Howe, '98, lecturer in forestry.

The chapter is at present very pleasantly at home in the house at 439 College street. As far as location goes, we are most fortunate, for we have a large lot only a minute's walk from the "Mill." With a new house, we would have the best material equipment in college.

The chapter as usual is active in the life of the college. Last fall there were two Phis on the varsity football team, one of whom was chosen captain for next year. There are four on this year's varsity baseball team, including both the captain and the manager. There is one on the debating team, two on the cynic board, one being editor-in-chief, two on the Kingsley prize speaking, one on the junior prom. committee, five in the cotillion club, five in the Histrionics, and others on the various class track and athletic teams. Among the class offices and honors held this year are: seniors, treasurer, chairman Founder's Day committee, Founder's Day speaker, chairman class day committee, centennial class day orator; junior, president; sophomore, member sophomore hop committee; freshman, manager class football, treasurer.

The members of the chapter participate more or less in the social life of the city, which offers great opportunities in this line. We are looking forward with much pleasure to the coming commencement, for the committee in charge of our twenty-fifth anniversary celebration are making great efforts to get every living alumnus of the chapter to come back this year. Among the attractions will be the banquet and a reception to our friends and alumni at the house. The greatest attraction we can offer, however, is the reunion of more Vermont Phis than have ever been together before.

Our house is always open to all Phi Delta Theta, and we derive no small pleasure from the occasional visits of members of the fraternity from other colleges. The bond of fraternity seems stronger when we meet men from other places and find that their pin is the same as ours and indicates the same purpose and the same ideal. H. E. CUNNINGHAM.

Key to group picture on opposite page, reading left to right.
Upper line: C. F. Blair, '99; G. C. Gould, '99; V. M. Dodge, '01; H. L. Adams, '06;
N. A. Towne, '05; G. R. Varum, '03.
Middle line: H. E. Gray, '03; L. M. Munson, '02; J. C. Morgan, '99; W. A. Beebe, '89;
T. C. Cheney, '01; E. C. Mower, '92; G. G. Morse, '02.
Lower line: L. S. Carpenter; J. V. Lamberton; J. O. Reed, '06; H. G. Woodward, '07.

THE PHIS OF MORRISVILLE, VERMONT.

The February SCROLL gave a brief account of the reunion held at the home of Bro. Thomas C. Cheney on December 26, 1903, of all the living graduates of Peoples' Academy, Morrisville, Vt., who have become members of Vermont Alpha. In nineteen years this academy has sent out eighteen men who have become Phis. With the exception of H. M. C. Chase and S. L. Gates, both of Vermont, '88, all are now living and were present at the reunion. It is very doubtful whether another fitting school in the entire country, located in a village of 1500 inhabitants, has sent out so many graduates in the last nineteen years who have become members of Phi Delta Theta, as has the Peoples' Academy. No manlier, cleaner set of young men ever wore the sword and shield than these, among whom it can truly be said there has not been one who has proved in any way an unworthy brother.

They have ever taken a foremost position in college, being prominent in athletics, scholarship and social life, and have been among the leaders of Vermont Alpha, having been at all times largely instrumental in shaping the policy of this chapter. Those who have graduated have been very successful in their various professions and business. A brief summary is given below of the more important honors won by these brothers.



HOLLIS M. C. CHASE,
Vermont, '88.

Hollis M. C. Chase, '88, was class president, sophomore year; editor of both the *Cynic* and *Ariel*; speaker at junior ex., and commencement; prophet class day; delegate to the national convention at New York in 1886; studied law with Cutting, Austin & Higgins, of Chicago, and was admitted to the bar in 1890; in 1891 organized the law firm of Chase & Durand, which had a large general practice, and represented the interests of several Chicago corporations; was an active Republican in politics,

being a member of the Lincoln club; was slated for the position of assistant city attorney for Chicago and was about to receive the appointment from the mayor, when he gave it up that a friend of his in destitute circumstances might have

a place in the city government; trustee of Douglass Park Presbyterian church; died November 9, 1898, leaving a wife and two sons. He was an enthusiastic Phi, a true friend, and a devoted husband and father.



SANFORD L. GATES,
Vermont, '88.

Sanford L. Gates, '88, was vice-president, Y. M. C. A.; junior ex. speaker; class day orator; studied law, but died at his home in Morrisville, Sept. 19, 1891, two weeks before he was to have been admitted to the bar of Vermont. After graduation, with the rare unselfishness so characteristic of him, he had declined several flattering offers that he might devote his life to the loving care of his aged parents in their declining years. "Ga-tes," as he was lovingly called, was a Christian in the

truest, broadest sense; he not only professed Christianity, but lived it from hour to hour and many a fellow will bear witness that by his life he has been made a better man.

The present principal of People's Academy is Bro. William A. Beebe, '89, who has held this position ever since his graduation. Bro. Beebe has a reputation throughout the state as one of Vermont's foremost educators. In his college days he was senior class president, commencement speaker, and was also a delegate to the Alpha Province convention in 1888. Dr. John C. Morgan, '90, of Stowe, Vermont, was class day odist and graduated in 1894 from the Dartmouth Medical College. Thomas C. Cheney, '91, is an attorney at Morrisville and is also clerk of the House of Representatives, of Vermont. This important position is regarded as a stepping-stone to some of the highest honors in the state. Bro. Cheney has held other important positions, among them being the state's attorneyship for his county from 1900 to 1902. A portrait of him appeared in the February SCROLL. To Phi Delta Theta he has given a tireless loyalty. The interests of Vermont Alpha were ever uppermost in his mind, and her standing in social circles as well as in college work was advanced by his earnest thought and fidelity. He has attended many important conventions and other gatherings of Phis in

his section, and his hospitable home is a genial rallying point for his brothers.

Edmund C. Mower, '92, won entrance prizes in Greek and Latin, junior prize for progress, led his class for four years, was commencement speaker and editor-in-chief of both the *Cynic* and the *Ariel*. He was admitted to the Vermont bar in 1896 and is now recognized as one of the brightest young attorneys in the state. In 1898-1900 he was assistant clerk of the House of Representatives, and in 1900-02 was state's attorney for Chittenden County. C. Francis Blair, '99, won the entrance prize in Greek, was the leader of the glee club, commencement speaker, and graduated fourth in a class of forty-seven. He is now in the Harvard Law School. Glenn C. Gould, 1900, was a member of the glee club and college quartette, chairman of the senior prom. committee, and delegate to the Alpha Province convention at Gettysburg. He is now with the Standard Oil Co., at Albany, N. Y. Vernon W. Dodge, '01, was prominent as an athlete and musician. In 1902 he was graduated in law from the University of Minnesota, and he is now in partnership with his uncle, W. E. Dodge, a prominent railroad attorney of Minneapolis.

Levi M. Munson, '02, of Morrisville, was class historian, member of baseball and basketball teams, elected to Φ B K and attended the province convention at Amherst. George G. Morse, '02, is now with the General Electric Co. at Schenectady, N. Y. Hollis E. Gray, '03, was manager of the varsity football team and a member of the baseball club of his class and of the varsity basketball team. Guy R. Varnum, '04, is assistant manager of the varsity baseball team and will graduate



CHAUNCY H. HAYDEN,
Vermont, '83.

with high honors. James O. Reed, '06, and Harry G. Woodward, '07, won honorable mention in the entrance prize examinations.

Vermont Alpha has no more loyal alumnus than Chauncey H. Hayden, of Jericho, Vermont. He was one of its charter members and has ever taken a very active interest in the chapter's welfare. To him more than to any one else is due the credit for establishing the chapter on a permanent foundation. Members of Vermont Alpha never tire of recalling the great work he did in the fall of 1882. The chapter at that time had been struggling against heavy odds and bitter opposition from the older fraternities for four years, but twelve men had returned to College and the outlook was gloomy and discouraging. However Bro. Hayden with indomitable pluck and perseverance worked night and day and personally pledged twelve men from the class of '86, two more being pledged by other brothers. The other fraternities frankly acknowledged this to be the star delegation from the class, and such it proved to be as nearly every one of the fourteen was an honor man, all taking high rank in college and later in professional and business life. The result of this work on Bro. Hayden's part put the chapter into a position at the University of Vermont second to none, a place it has ever since maintained. When those days are recalled every member of Vermont Alpha feels like doffing his hat to Bro. Hayden.

He is always enthusiastically received at our commencement banquets both by the alumni and the active members, and, although he has been out of college twenty-one years, he has been absent from these gatherings but three times, a record equaled by no other alumnus. Those absences were occasioned by his being in Boston, Toronto and Zurich, Switzerland, in attendance as a delegate upon the international conventions of the Good Templars, at each of which he had a place on the program. He has long been an active member of this organization and for the last thirteen years has been honored with the position of



EDMUND C. LANE,
Vermont, '82.

Grand Chief Templar of Vermont. He is often lovingly and appropriately referred to by us as the "Father Morrison" of Vermont Alpha.

INITIATES OF THE CHAPTER GRAND.



William Henry Atwood, *Brown*, '95,
Died April 3, 1903, at New Bedford, Mass.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Charles Scott Brent, *Centre*, '63,
Died July 2, 1903, at Baltimore, Md.
In Coelo Quies Est.



George Winston Welch, *Centre*, 1900,
Died November 11, 1903, at Colorado Springs, Colo.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Everett Farnum Goodyear, *California*, '92,
Died at San Francisco, Cal.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Harry Garder Folts, *Cornell*, '90,
Died———1902, at Salem, Ohio.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Murray Hilton Smith, *Cornell*, '92,
Died 1903, at French Lick Springs, Indiana.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Charles Oliver Perry, *DePauw*, '69,
Died January 2, 1904, at San Francisco, Cal.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Charles McKee Kress, *Dickinson*, '03,
Died April 18, 1904, at Philadelphia, Pa.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Harvey Horton Rouser, *Gettysburg*, '86,
Died September 30, 1903, at Baltimore, Md.
In Coelo Quies Est.

William M. Robenolt, *Gettysburg*, '02,
Died November 30, 1903, at Auburn, N. Y.
In Coelo Quies Est.



James Allen Fullenwider, *Illinois Wesleyan*, '82,
Died December 3, 1903, at Chicago, Ill.
In Coelo Quies Est.



August Christian Sapper, *Illinois Wesleyan*, '92,
Died November—, 1903, at St. Louis, Mo.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Robert Abraham Davis Wilbanks, *Indiana and Chicago*, '67,
Died June 19, 1903, at Washington, D. C.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Oscar Robert Young, *Iowa*, '87,
Died May 17, 1903, at Iowa City, Iowa.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Karl Winfield Mayne, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '93,
Died—, at Council Bluffs, Iowa.
In Coelo Quies Est.



William Frederick Gilmore, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '94,
Died—, at Ottumwa, Iowa.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Llewellyn James Pryse, *Kentucky State College*, '06,
Died April 1, 1904, at Lexington, Kentucky.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Joseph Thomas Kretzinger, *Knox*, '73,
Died—, 1900, at Chicago, Ill.
In Coelo Quies Est.



George Frederick Pierson, *Knox*, '81,
Died May 20, 1899, at Fort Worth, Texas.
In Coelo Quies Est.



William Cuyler Avery, *Knox*, '88,
Died January 14, 1902, at New Orleans, La.
In Coelo Quies Est.

Robert Homer Gaines, *Knox*, '04,
Died August 24, 1903, at Greenfield, Iowa.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Clearfield Park, *Lafayette*, '76,
Died January 17, 1904, at Woodstock, N. Y.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Charles Bement Riggs, *Lafayette*, '78,
Died May 26, 1900, at Indianapolis, Ind.
In Coelo Quies Est.



John Fremont Williamson, *Lafayette*, '78,
Died December 4, 1903, at Annandale, N. J.
In Coelo Quies Est.



John Trowbridge Morrison, *Lafayette*, '80,
Died May 7, 1903, at Pittsburg, Kan.
In Coelo Quies Est.



John Henry Hagerty, Jr., *Lafayette*, '94,
Died January 22, 1904, at Phillipsburg, N. J.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Winfield Lemuel Warner, *Lehigh*, '93,
Died February 28, 1904, at Saranac Lake, N. Y.
In Coelo Quies Est.



George Herbert McKeand Adams, *Lehigh*, '06,
Died July 4, 1903, at South Bethlehem, Pa.
In Coelo Quies Est.



William Judah Frisbee, *Lombard*, '60,
Died November, 1903, at Bushnell, Ill.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Rouselden Cooper, *Lombard*, '69,
Died June 20, 1903, at Oquawka, Ill.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Byron Pontius, *Lombard*, '75,
Died October —, 1903, at Macomb, Ill.
In Coelo Quies Est.

William Erastus Gay, *Mercer*, '04,
Died October, 1903, at Cuthbert, Ga.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Ervin Edgar Ewell, *Michigan*, '91,
Died February 7, 1904, at New Orleans, La.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Thorwald Ross Johnson, *Minnesota*, '03,
Drowned July 13, 1903, in Pickerel Lake, Minn.
In Coelo Quies Est.



James Hamilton Stoll, *Northwestern*, '01,
Died November 7, 1903, at Rogers Park, Ill.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Grant Jones, *Northwestern*, '97,
Died June 19, 1903, at Battle Lake, Wyo.
In Coelo Quies Est.



William Fletcher Lewis, *Ohio*, '79,
Died ——, 1901, at Waxahatchie, Texas.
In Coelo Quies Est.



William Edgar Bundy, *Ohio*, '86,
Died August 16, 1903, at Cincinnati, Ohio.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Alexander Lackey, *Ohio*, '75,
Died March 31, 1904, at Louisa, Ky.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Corwin Locke, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '88,
Died January 24, 1904, at London, Ohio.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Raymond Walter Honeywell, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '05,
Died June 28, 1903, at Chagrin Falls, Ohio.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Robert Sample Miller, *Purdue*, '95,
Died March 28, 1904, at Lafayette, Ind.
In Coelo Quies Est.

Edward Cool Robertson, *Purdue*, '01,
Died October 31, 1903, at Indianapolis, Ind.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Samuel Burke Hawkins, *Southwestern*, '86,
Died October 12, 1903, at Gatesville, Texas.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Dave Augustus Dickinson, *Southwestern*, '06,
Died August 16, 1903, at Rusk, Texas.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Henry Mericle Galpin, *Syracuse*, '05,
Died September 1903, at Cornwall-on-Hudson, N. Y.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Warren Penn Hargrove, *Texas*, '02,
Died February 7, 1903, at Waco, Texas.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Percy Sims White, *Texas and Washington and Lee*, '06,
Died October 24, 1903, at Lexington, Va.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Frederick William Skinner, *Union*, '86,
Died March 16, 1902, at Los Angeles, Cal.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Barton Haxall Wise, *Virginia*, '87,
Died February 6, 1899, at Richmond, Va.
In Coelo Quies Est.



William MacKenzie Russell, *Williams*, '05,
Died January 26, 1904, at Ithaca, N. Y.
In Coelo Quies Est.



Graaville Sharp Pattison Stillman, *Wisconsin*, '59,
Died———, at New York City.
In Coelo Quies Est.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES — CHAPTER GRAND.

**EDWARD COOL ROBERTSON, PURDUE, '01.**

He was born in October, 1876, at Albion, Michigan, and was killed at Indianapolis, Indiana, in the wreck of the "Purdue Special," October 31, 1903. For four years Brother Robertson was one of the most prominent figures in western inter-collegiate athletics, and as such is known to every one who has followed college athletics since 1898, when he first made his reputation. Readers of THE SCROLL, through its pages are familiar with his name in connection with his physical skill, and members of Phi Delta Theta and other men of colleges with which Purdue has had athletic relations during the past few years came to know him personally.

He was a member of the 'varsity football and baseball teams for four years and was the heavy-weight wrestling champion of the university during that time. On the football team he played at tackle, quarter, halfback and fullback, being captain of the team two years (being the only Purdue man who ever had that distinction), 1899 and 1900. On the baseball team he played at second base for three years and behind the bat his last year. He was fully capable of making any other athletic team in the university, but football, the gymnasium and baseball occupied his spare time the year round.

His greatest renown came to him as a member of the football team. As a punter he never was excelled; as a place kicker he hadn't a peer, and the fact that he made the world's record of seven place kicks in one inter-collegiate game is a matter of athletic history. His unerring foot was feared by every team against which Purdue played, and from Michigan and Chicago down to the smallest colleges, coaches racked their brains to devise a means "to stop Robertson's place kicking." How well they succeeded may be shown from the fact that for almost three years, with only a mediocre team behind him, Purdue at least scored on every team she met (a record that is rarely made), and among them were the best in the west; and in nearly every case, "Captain Robbie" was the man who stood between Purdue and a shut out where the strongest teams were met, and was the man whose kicking rolled up the score when weaker teams were played.

These things mean much to a college man and particularly to Purdue men. In themselves, however, they do not stand for any measure of what they represent to those who knew the stout heart that made them possible and the powerful body

that brought them into execution. Every street urchin in Lafayette, every business man, every member of the faculty and every student knew "Captain Robbie" or wanted to know him, and they all mourned for him when the end came.

To those who knew him, it seems incongruous to think of him as dead and beyond all help. They came almost to think that no power could combat him successfully, so irresistible appeared his giant strength, his indomitable perseverance. And yet there came in the crashing steel the winged death and even "Captain Robbie's" life went out. But death was merciful to a worthy foe, there being scarcely a visible mark on his body and he died almost instantly.

His death is the more pathetic because his real life work was just about to begin. After his technical course at the university and two years of practical preparation, he had engaged to begin work for a large engineering firm in Chicago, December 1, as a mechanical engineer. At a sacrifice he arranged to spend the intervening time at Purdue in assisting the football team to prepare for its final important games.

With the energy which characterized his athletic endeavors, he entered into fraternity life. He was intimately identified with every phase of his chapter's development, and as a member of the Indianapolis alumni club he continued to work for the fraternity with the zeal of the most ardent undergraduate.

Funeral services were conducted at Indianapolis by the members of the fraternity, after which his body was taken to his aged parents in far away Montana by E. R. Johnson, Purdue, '04.

It had been "Captain Robbie's" intentions to visit his parents next spring as he had not seen them for six years. One of his brothers died last spring, another is in Montana and an older brother is in China, a missionary, unaware for a long time of his brother's awful death. Back in Indiana he left numberless friends who feel their loss the keener because of their utter unpreparedness for it when it came.

J. F. G. MILLER.



HENRY MERICLE GALPIN, SYRACUSE, '05.

On Sept. 15, 1903, at Cornwall-on-the-Hudson, Brother Galpin died of appendicitis and typhoid fever. He was the son of Rev. Stephen D. Galpin, of Darby, N. Y., and was born June 22, 1882. He entered Syracuse University in the Latin-scientific course. In 1902 he was a member of the '05

football team, bow of the '05 crew, and in 1903 he was bow of the 'varsity crew.



CHARLES SCOTT BRENT, CENTRE, '63.

On July 2, 1903, Charles Scott Brent, *Centre*, '63, of Lexington, Kentucky, died in Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, after a long illness. Brother Brent was for many years engaged in the grain and seed business, his house being the best known of its kind in that section. He bore the highest reputation for integrity and was counted as one of Lexington's wealthiest and most prominent business men. He died in the sixty-third year of his age, leaving a widow and four children.



ROBERT SAMPLE MILLER, PURDUE, '95.

One of the earliest initiates of Indiana Theta was Robert S. Miller, '95, of Lafayette. From the beginning of his fraternity life he was one of its most enthusiastic workers. At that time the character of the young chapter was in formation. The early policy of the chapter, which Miller helped to institute, was to produce all-around men from an evenly balanced chapter, which policy Indiana Theta has endeavored to follow to the present time. Although extremely young (he entered as a freshman at the age of fifteen) he rapidly became one of the leaders in the chapter as well as in the university life. He took an active part in class politics and in social enterprises. He was elected a member of the interfraternity social organization, "Skulls of Thirteen," which at that time played a very important part in the school's social life.

Although actively engaged in the minor departments of student life he showed at his best in his classes. His dominant trait was earnestness, and so thoroughly did he master his work that, although the youngest member of a class which later development proved to be one of unusual strength, he stood with the highest, and in his junior year was honored with membership in Tau Beta Pi. After being graduated before he was nineteen years old, he spent two years at Purdue studying for his master's degree which he received in 1897. He then entered the instructional force of the university and at twenty-three he became a full professor in the mechanical engineering school. He was an indefatigable worker and at the same time very brilliant.

In the summer of 1902 he was given leave of absence that he might live in Colorado for the benefit of his health. For

a time the change appeared to be for the better. But while he could not return, his mind could not be kept from his work, and before a year of his leave of absence had expired he accepted an appointment as professor of mechanical engineering in the Colorado College, at Colorado Springs. A short term of service, however, was sufficient to convince him that he could not endure such a task and he was forced to give it up.

He struggled heroically against the effects of an implacable disease, but acting on the advice of his physician he returned home a few weeks before his death which occurred March 27, 1904.

J. F. G. MILLER.



RAYMOND W. HONEYWELL, OHIO WESLEYAN, '05.

One day, while watching some men bridging a chasm, a monk saw one of the workmen plunge headlong to his death a thousand feet below. He immediately went back to his hut and wrote: "In the midst of life we live in death."

Ohio Beta has recently had a demonstration of the awful truth of this in the sad death of our dear brother, Raymond W. Honeywell, at Chagrin Falls, Ohio, on Sunday night, June 28. The following account is taken from the Chagrin Falls *Exponent*:

Raymond W. Honeywell, son of Mrs. Bessie Honeywell, who resides on Washington street, had charge of the plant that night as electrician, having taken the place of Ray Wilbur, who is usually in charge of the night turn. The machinery had been put in operation and the lights turned on and shortly after this when J. W. Hutchinson went into the engine room, he found Raymond lying on the floor about half way between the switch board and dynamos. A glance at the form told Mr. Hutchinson that the boy was dead. Everything possible was done to resuscitate him, but life was extinct. The body was hurriedly removed to the home on Washington street, messengers going ahead to announce the



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awful news to the mother, when it was learned that she had gone out riding about the same time that Raymond had left home light-hearted and happy for his night's work, but which proved to be his untimely death. When Mrs. Honeywell was found the sad and terrible news was broken to her in as mild terms as kind friends could do, but she was almost overcome by the fearful blow.

As to exactly how Raymond came to his death will never be known, for he was the only person in the plant at the time. By some it is thought he may have slipped on the floor as he came near the switch board and in falling came in contact with a live wire or some part of the machinery that was heavily charged; this of course is only a supposition. His hands were burned and there were no other marks on the body whatever, excepting a bruise on the side of the face which struck the floor as he fell.

Bro. Honeywell was born in Orange township, May 24, 1882. At six years of age he moved to Chagrin Falls, where he lived the remainder of his life. He graduated at the head of his high school class in 1900, and received an honorary scholarship in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, entering that university the following September. He was soon invited to become a member of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ and from that time until his death, he was one of the chapter's foremost and most loyal men. He upheld the honor and dignity of the fraternity in the classroom by his exceptional brilliancy; on the athletic field, by playing second base on the varsity baseball team.

Of Bro. Honeywell it can be said in all sincerity, that he was a true Phi. What greater encomium can be bestowed on any man?

R. W. HUTCHINSON.



JOHN T. MORRISON, LAFAYETTE, '80.

On May 7, 1903, Brother John T. Morrison, *Lafayette*, '80, died at Pittsburg, Kansas, his home, at the age of forty-seven. For a year he had been a sufferer from Bright's disease. He left a widow and one child, Bess Morrison, about fifteen years of age. Brother Morrison was graduated from Lafayette College with high honors in 1880, and upon moving to the west he became a successful business man. At the time of his death he was president of the Pittsburg and Midway Coal and Mining Co. and general manager of the San Bois Coal Co., at McCurtain, Indian Territory.



OSCAR ROBERT YOUNG, IOWA, '87.

On May 17, 1903, at the home of his parents in Iowa City, Iowa, Bro. Oscar Robert Young, *Iowa*, '87, died after a long illness. He was a graduate of the engineering department of the University of Iowa and he practiced his profession in the

west. He was engaged in railway, municipal and other kinds of work. He was associated in and had charge of some of the important and difficult engineering work in the west, and by his breadth of comprehension and ability to grapple with detail he always acquitted himself in the most creditable manner. He attained an enviable success. In his last years he paid especial attention to the development and construction of large irrigation systems. But his magnificent constitution gave way to the excessive strain of his work and his final visit home did not avail to recall him to resume his place in the transformation of the waste places into fit habitations for his fellow men.

During his university career, those same qualities which in after life endeared him to his associates and added so much to his success, had asserted themselves with the same results. He was a leader among his fellows, always ready for a frolic, providing it was clean and innocent, or for good hard work; original in a marked degree in his conceptions and in the execution of his plans, he took a high rank in scholarship, and made friends in abundance. He was a member of Iowa Beta and always stood loyally for the principles of the fraternity.



THORWALD ROSS JOHNSON, MINNESOTA, '03.

On July 12, 1903, Bro. Thorwald Ross Johnson, a member of Minnesota Alpha chapter, was drowned while bathing in Pickerel Lake near St. Paul, Minnesota. Two friends were

with him at the time, but as he sank suddenly and without the slightest warning, they were unable to save him. He had told them that he was going to float upon his back, and did so for several moments while they watched him. While he was doing this his head dropped beneath the surface a trifle, but it was thought that this was only an additional feat. Suddenly, however, without a sound or struggle, he sank to the bottom. His body was recovered some hours later. It was thought that death resulted from heart failure rather than drowning, as he was an excellent swimmer.



T. R. JOHNSON.
Minnesota, '03.

Bro. Johnson was born in Hampton, Iowa in 1882, where

he lived until entering the university in the fall of 1899. He graduated from the academic department last June, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. During his senior year he had taken up medicine with the intention of completing that course also, having chosen that calling for his life's work. At the time of his death he was employed as an assistant in St. Luke's hospital, St. Paul.

The university as well as the fraternity has lost a man whose every effort was in their behalf. He held many prominent positions in the political circles of the university and was a member of the senior inter-fraternity society, "Song and Stein."

Bro. Johnson was a man of sterling character, integrity and true to his convictions. The course that seemed right to him, he followed unerringly. A life of promise lay before him in his chosen vocation, and though still in the first principles of medicine, he had received much merited encouragement from his instructors.

In the death of Bro. Johnson, Minnesota Alpha has suffered a most serious loss, felt not only by the active chapter but by the alumni as well. He was an earnest worker in every interest of the fraternity, and a born leader. The influence for good by one of such true worth can never be overestimated.

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JOHN FREMONT WILLIAMSON, LAFAYETTE, '78.

Rev. John Freemont Williamson, *Lafayette*, '78, died at Annandale, N. J., on December 4, 1903. Mr. Williamson, after taking the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Lafayette in 1878, attended the Princeton Theological Seminary in the autumn of the same year, and during 1880 and 1881 he was matriculated at the Union Theological Seminary, New York, where he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in 1881. On June 15, 1881 he was married to Miss Emma A. Warne of Clinton, N. J. On January 24, 1882 he was installed as pastor of the Presbyterian church at Glen Cove, Long Island, where he served until July 7, 1888, a period of over six years, after which he became the pastor of the First Presbyterian church at Kingston, N. Y. After eleven years service at Kingston, Mr. Williamson resigned his charge and removed to his farm at Clinton, N. J., where for two years he acted as supply of the Presbyterian church at Glen Garden, N. J. On February 15, 1902 he again became active in his calling and was installed as pastor of the Dutch Reformed

church at Annandale, N. J., a position which he held until his death.

B. M. L. ERNST.



JAMES HAMILTON STOLL, NORTHWESTERN, '01.

In the death of Bro. James Hamilton Stoll, Illinois Alpha, '01, the fraternity has lost one of its most loyal members. Bro. Stoll succumbed to Bright's disease, November 8, 1903, at his home, 949 Greenleaf street, Chicago.

For some time Bro. Stoll had been a newspaper writer. He had been a member of the staff of the old Chicago *Record*, the Chicago *Chronicle* and the Chicago *Tribune*. At Northwestern University Bro. Stoll had been the tennis champion and had held other honors. He was a popular student.

Bro. Stoll was born at Lexington, Ky., August 16, 1879. He attended the public schools there and in New York City. Later he entered the West Division High School in

JAMES HAMILTON STOLL,
Northwestern, '01.

Chicago and completed his preparation for college at Lewis Institute. At one time he held the title of interscholastic tennis champion of the west.

His high character was well described by the Rev. W. B. Hamilton in his address at the funeral services. He said:

The friends of James Stoll felt that he was genuine. In a day when pretense passes muster only too easily, he never pretended. He had a very keen sense of personal honor and honesty. He said what he believed or else kept silent. You were sure that whatever he offered as his own work was his own and no other's. He was modest. He was personally lovable. He always looked on the best side of people. He was a peacemaker. I never in all my life heard him say an unkind word of any man. He was a faithful friend.

J. ARTHUR DIXON.



GRANT JONES, NORTHWESTERN, '97.

A memorial tablet to Bro. Grant Jones, Illinois Alpha, '97, who died suddenly of heart failure at Battle Lake, Wyoming, June 19, 1903, is to be erected there by his associates in the development of the Grand Encampment mining district.

To Bro. Jones, more than any other man, is given the credit of bringing before the country the immense mineral resources of Wyoming. As a newspaper correspondent he traveled throughout the commonwealth and syndicated stories of its latent riches to leading papers in every large city. He then joined in the work of opening up mines and was a favorite in the western country.

In addition to his work as a newspaper correspondent Bro. Jones was a writer of clever sketches. He was directing his efforts toward literary attainment of a more ambitious character when his career was cut short. He was a bright after dinner speaker and a royal entertainer at all times. Few men possessed a livelier fancy or a finer poetical bent. His presence added most to the good fellowship at the Phi dinners at the Auditorium and Union League Club in Chicago and at the fraternity gatherings in Denver, in both of which cities he had been a frequent visitor after completing his course at Northwestern University.

At college, because of his unwavering cheerfulness and happy manner, he was a favorite not only with his fellow members in the Phi chapter, but all with whom he came in contact. He was the recipient of many college honors. While a student he began to write for the Chicago papers as university correspondent. Later he became a staff writer on the *Chicago Times-Herald* (now the *Record-Herald*.) He was sent to the Republican convention at St. Louis by the *Times-Herald* when McKinley was first nominated and was assigned to other important missions by that paper.

After an extended visit to Colorado Springs, Brother Jones decided to write western stories and "syndicate" them to papers throughout the country. His stories have appeared in as many as twenty-seven of the leading newspapers simul-



GRANT JONES,
Northwestern, '97.

taneously in such cities as New York, Chicago, Boston, Atlanta, New Orleans, Louisville, Omaha, Denver and San Francisco. It was while on a trip as a newspaper correspondent to the newly discovered gold and copper country at Grand Encampment, Wyoming, that Bro. Jones decided to live the life of the miner for a time and get the local color Bret Harte put to such good advantage. He had established the Dillon, Wyoming *Doublejack*, a most unique paper in many respects, and had become a stockholder and official in a number of the mining companies organized to develop the region.

Bro. Jones was born at Hillsboro, Kentucky, August 24, 1871. He was the son of Dr. L. J. Jones, a prominent physician. The family removed to Wichita, Kansas, in 1880. During his three years as a student at Northwestern University Bro. Jones was a member of the class of '97.

J. ARTHUR DIXON.



CHARLES OLIVER PERRY, DE PAUW, '69.

Charles O. Perry, for several years connected with prominent financial institutions in San Francisco, dropped dead of heart disease yesterday afternoon on the sidewalk in front of 1200 Van Ness avenue. For less than a week before he had complained of trouble with his heart, and when death came it was almost without warning. Perry had been to consult Dr. William Watt Kerr regarding the symptoms which had appeared, and just after leaving the office he was seized by an attack, which resulted fatally.

The deceased was president of the California Home Building Loan Company, of San Francisco, cashier of the Columbian Bank, president of the Nipoma Orchard and Packing Company and associated in minor capacity with other enterprises. He was about sixty years of age and had lived in California for nearly twenty years. During this time he made his residence in Belvedere and was at one time treasurer of that pretty little town. He leaves no relatives in this state.—*San Francisco Chronicle*, January 3, 1904.



CLEARFIELD PARK, LAFAYETTE, '76.

Rev. Clearfield Park, *Lafayette*, '76, died at Woodstock, N. Y., on Jan. 14, 1904, in his forty-sixth year. Brother Park, was born in 1859. He took the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Lafayette College where he was initiated into Phi Delta Theta in 1876. From 1876 to 1878 he attended the Union Theo-

logical Seminary in New York and the succeeding year he matriculated in the Princeton Theological Seminary where he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in 1879. For fifteen years he served as the Presbyterian minister at Millville, N. J., and then removed to Woodstock, N. Y.t where he remained in charge of his flock for eight years until his death.

While at Lafayette Brother Park made an unusual name for himself as an orator. He won the first prize in the junior oratorical contest in 1875 and in the succeeding year he was chosen to represent his college at the inter-collegiate oratorical contest held in New York City. The Kingston (N. Y.) *Argus* printed the following obituary notice of Brother Park on Jan. 20, 1904:

Rev. Clearfield Park, pastor of the Reformed church, Woodstock, passed from labor to reward January 14, aged forty-five years. Saturday afternoon, 16th, a congregation filling the church gathered to hear words of consolation, and take the last look at the face of pastor and friend. Rev. Dr. Van Slyke, of Kingston, made the principal address, and was assisted by the local pastors, also pastors from Shokan and West Hurley, and Rev. Mr. Steiner, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Millville, N. J., of which Mr. Park was pastor for fifteen years.

Mr. Park's ministerial record was fifteen years at Millville, N. J., and eight years at Woodstock. His great work on his first charge, especially his superior effort in building the beautiful and costly church, impaired his not robust health, and he came to Woodstock, hoping to be benefited in health as well as be a blessing to the Reformed church here. In the latter he succeeded, but for some time his friends had noticed that he showed signs of failing strength. Nothing, however, kept him from his work, unless he was ill in bed, and not infrequently he should have been there rather than in his pulpit.

He was greatly interested in the week of prayer, engaging in the union services with great zeal, not only for the results of that week but expecting to follow them up with special evangelistic services in his church aggravating his chronic heart trouble. A cold in the early part of the week, gave warning, but he kept at work. A funeral on Thursday, and a sermon at night and he went to the parsonage to be carried out a week later by the loving hands of his consistory.

An aged mother of whom he was the only child, a wife and two small children sit in their sorrow, while the congregation of the Reformed church, as well as that of West Hurley, which he also served, mourn a faithful and beloved pastor.

"Servant of God, well done!
Thy glorious warfare's past.
The battle's fought, the race is won,
And thou art crowned at last."

B. L. M. ERNST.

WILLIAM M. ROBENOLT, GETTYSBURG, '02.

Pennsylvania Beta is in mourning for one of her most devoted sons, William M. Robenolt, '02, Bro. Robenolt was born at Fayette, New York, April 11, 1877. After several

years of preparation at Hartwick Seminary he entered the sophomore class of Gettysburg College in 1899, and shortly after became a member of Phi Delta Theta. His course here from the very beginning was an active and brilliant one both in the class room and the varied student activities of the institution. He received first honorable mention for the sophomore mathematical prize, won the junior gold medal in Latin, also second prize in an essay contest open to the entire college, and graduated as Latin salutatorian of his class. He was a member of the college glee club, managing editor

of the 1902 *Spectrum*, business manager of the *Weekly Gettysburgian* and held a prominent office in the local honorary society of "Pen and Sword." In addition to his multiform activities in connection with the college, Bro. Robenolt was an exceptionally zealous worker in the interests of his fraternity. Since graduation he has been vice-principal of the Newark Valley (N. Y.) high school, which position he has filled so acceptably as to receive a higher salary than any of his predecessors.

The news of his sad and sudden death in the Auburn City hospital (N. Y.) from pneumonia on November, 30, 1903, came as a great shock to all his brothers here.

It may be of interest to add this gratuituous testimonial received by the chapter from one who had an intimate knowledge of Bro. Robenolt's life and labors after he became connected with the Newark Valley School:

In all things he was a man: clean in his morals; noble in his character; perfectly fearless in integrity and discrimination of right and wrong. He won all by his culture. His training had been something more than acquiring a knowledge from books. He knew things; he also knew men, and he had the skill to inspire men to do and be their best. He became a recognized force in the community.



WILLIAM M. ROBENOLT.
Gettysburg, '02.

ERVIN EDGAR EWELL, MICHIGAN, '91.

On February 7, 1904, Bro. Ervin Edgar Ewell, *Michigan*, '91, died at New Orleans, of typhoid fever, at the age of thirty-six. He was the son of Samuel Day Edgar Ewell, of Macomb county, Michigan. After graduating from the University of Michigan Bro. Ewell resided in Washington, D. C., until March, 1903, when he resigned from service in the Bureau of Chemistry and removed to Atlanta, Ga., having become manager of a German company. In the American Chemical Society, and through other channels he labored for some years very effectually for the establishment of the bureau of standards. At the time of his resignation he had full charge of all the co-operative work of the various departments. Because of his doing a great deal of the drudgery of chemical work he did not give as much time to research as his training, talent and taste demanded. He, however, published a number of papers of high character embodying results of careful research. One of his most valuable pieces of research was in the study of the intoxicating principles of the mescal button, a variety of cactus used by Indians in Mexico in the celebration of religious rites. He not only conducted an elaborate series of chemical researches on this substance, but also tried it upon himself at great personal risk, and recorded, as long as the effects of the drug left him volition, all the different phases of the toxic results. He recovered from the experiment without any permanent injury. On August 19, 1896, Bro. Ewell was married to Miss Alice Priest, who with one child survives him.

**WINFIELD LEMUEL WARNER, LEHIGH, '93.**

Winfield Lemuel Warner, *Lehigh*, '93, of 29 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn, died at Saranac Lake, N. Y., on February 28, 1904 of consumption after a long period of illness. Bro. Warner was born at Willimantic, Conn., on October 1, 1870, and received his early education in the town of his birth. Later he moved with his parents to Brooklyn, N. Y., and entered Lehigh University with the class of '93. He was initiated into Phi Delta Theta on December 8, 1889 and remained an active member of Pennsylvania Eta for one year. He did not return to Lehigh in September, 1890, but pursued his studies at Hoboken, N. Y. After finishing his studies Bro. Warner took the position of superintendent of the tin plate manufacturing department of a large concern at Maywood, Ill. On account of the poisonous gases connected

with the manufacture of the plate he was obliged after about two years to give up his position and he returned to New York. Having had some experience in literary work he became engaged in newspaper correspondence. Showing ability in this he was made the manager for Franklin County, Massachusetts for the *Springfield Republican* with headquarters at Greenfield, Massachusetts. Subsequently feeling that a change of climate was necessary for his health, he resigned his position and went to California where he became assayer for the Free Gold Mining Company in San Diego County. At this he worked beyond his strength and was obliged to give it up. His ability was recognized in his new field and he was soon appointed Justice of Yuma County, a position that he filled with credit. After leaving the gold mine he spent some time in Los Angeles and the mountains in that region, but he failed to recuperate and in June, 1902 he returned to his home in Brooklyn, N. Y. He made repeated visits to the Adirondack Mountains to improve his health. His courage was good throughout and he was the same genial, optimistic gentleman to the last. His body was brought to Stafford Springs, Connecticut where his funeral was held in the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Rev. Dr. C. S. Davis, officiating. Bro. Warner was a member of the Ionic Lodge, F. and A. M., and was buried with Masonic ceremonies.

B. M. L. ERNST.



PERCY SIMS WHITE, TEXAS, '06.

Percy Sims White was born March 24, 1885, at Harvey Grove, Texas. In 1894, moving to Bonham, Texas, he entered the city high school, from which he was graduated in 1902, having completed the eleven years course in eight years. In September, 1902, he entered the University of Texas, where he was initiated into Texas Beta. He remained there one year, but on account of his health he entered Washington and Lee University in September, 1903. On Oct. 16, 1903, after an illness of three weeks, he died. His body rested for two days in the university chapel beside the recumbent statue of General Lee, and was escorted to the station by the entire student body. Brother White was related to the noted Sims family of South Carolina.

GEORGE HERBERT McKEAND ADAMS, LEHIGH, '06.

On the night of July 3, 1903, Bro. Adams was accidentally struck by an engine on the Philadelphia & Reading tracks, at the Union Station, South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He was removed to St. Luke's Hospital, where he died the following morning with his family at his bedside.

Bro. Adams was born in Georgetown, Ontario, Canada, February 22, 1885, and was the son of Rev. C. Graham Adams, a retired Episcopalian clergyman, residing in South Bethlehem.

He entered Lehigh University from the Bethlehem Preparatory School, where he was graduated in June, 1902. In college he was well known, and his genial and kindly disposition made him many friends. He took an active interest in college life, being the treasurer of his class, and a member of the football squad.

By his death Pennsylvania Eta has been deprived of one of her most zealous and beloved members. Though he had been a Phi but a year, his residence here for the past few years had nevertheless brought us into close touch with him. He had a bright future, and there was so much for him to live for that his shocking death is doubly sad. He was an enthusiastic Phi, and no one was more aggressive and unflagging in his devotion to Phi Delta Theta. It is with the deepest regret that we record his entrance into the Chapter Grand.

**WILLIAM EDGAR BUNDY, OHIO, '86.**

When death came upon Colonel William Edgar Bundy, at Cincinnati, Aug. 16, 1903, Phi Delta Theta, lost one of the most brilliant and successful of the generation of alumni to which he belonged. In the past few years the honors and prestige which had come to him had been so well won and becomingly worn that all his friends were justified in predicting for him a career in which the highest honors of the state and nation were to be united with his future. His illness of brief duration, at first thought to be simply exhaustion from overwork or the culmination of several years strain in which



G. H. MCK. ADAMS,
Lehigh, '06.

his activities,—legal, social, military and political,—had been too strenuously drawn upon,—proved to be that of acute Bright's disease. He rapidly passed into coma due to the uremic poisoning of the disease and died at 6 o'clock, A. M., Sunday, Aug. 16, 1903.

Bro. Bundy was born at Trellston, Ohio, Oct. 4, 1866, his father having been a veteran of the civil war, and having died as a result of a wound received at the battle of Stones River. He entered Ohio University and was initiated into Phi Delta Theta by Ohio Gamma chapter in the fall of 1881. His college course was marked by a leadership in many lines of student activity, and he was one of the most influential of the members of Ohio Gamma. During one year he served as managing editor of the *Wellstown Argus*, while yet an undergraduate. As reporter of his chapter in his senior year he attended the Delta Province convention at Delaware in May, 1886. After graduation from Ohio University he entered the Cincinnati Law School, finishing his course there in 1889. He then located in Cincinnati, and his talents in various lines soon won him many honors. He was an active promoter of the "Sons of Veterans;" was commander-in-chief of the order in 1894 and again in 1895, and was a division commander at the time of his death. In 1901 after a spirited contest he was elected Colonel of the First Regiment, Ohio National Guard, in which position he was signally successful, and at the time his fatal illness came on, he was arranging details in connection with the annual encampment of this regiment with the state guard at Newark. He was four times elected solicitor of the village of Norwood, a residential suburb of Cincinnati. In 1898 he entered upon a sphere of activity and usefulness as United States attorney for the district of Southern Ohio, being appointed to that position by President McKinley, and later re-appointed for a second term, which he was serving at the time of his death. In political councils he was near the throne; was always present at the conventions of the Ohio League of Republican clubs, and was last year unanimously elected president of the league.

Bro. Bundy was married to Miss Eva P. Leedom, of Manchester, O., who with one son, Sanford Bundy, now aged ten years, survives him. His domestic life was an example of purity and happiness. As a Phi, Bro. Bundy's enjoyment of his fraternity grew more keen with the passage of time. He was a leader in his chapter in college, and was the closest of

its alumni councillors in recent years. This was made possible by his duties as a trustee of Ohio University, in which capacity he was serving at the time of his death. At dinners and reunions at Cincinnati, Bro. Bundy was one of the faithful whose presence could always be counted upon, and whose wit and wisdom contributed to the enjoyment of the occasion. His sad demise was noted with suitable resolutions by the Cincinnati alumni club.

* J. E. BROWN.

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BARTON HAXALL WISE, VIRGINIA, '87.

A brilliant and noble-hearted Phi Delta Theta was Barton Haxall Wise, Virginia, '87, who died in Richmond on Feb. 6, 1899. One of his colleagues of the Virginia Bar Association has thus eulogized him:

His life was like that of many another young Virginian. Born in 1863, he went to several private schools in this state, notably, at Pamptekie, where he had the inestimable privilege of coming under the influence of Col. and Mrs. Thos. H. Carter; and there he formed boyish friendships that lasted to the end. Later he attended the University of Virginia, where he applied himself to law. The state of his mother's health caused him to travel extensively in Europe, and on his return to America, he settled in New York, and engaged in a successful business venture. But the memory of his youth spent among the people and influence of this state was strong upon him. He felt that he was a part, a living, integral part of that commonwealth in whose history and life his ancestors had taken such leading positions, and the prospect of taking his place along with them in working with and for Virginia was more to him than greater material advantages gained elsewhere. To few is it vouchsafed to attain such a measure of success as that achieved by him.

Thus in 1894, Mr. Wise returned to Richmond and formed a partnership for the practice of law with his cousin, the Hon. George D. Wise, in which pursuit his ability was early recognized. But it is not upon his ability as a lawyer that Mr. Wise's future reputation will rest. In the midst of his labors at this profession he found time to prepare a truly remarkable biography of his grandfather, Governor Henry A. Wise.

The sincerity and truth of his nature was apparent in nothing more than in his historical work. His aim was to deal with absolute impartiality and fearlessness with the subject he was discussing. And in spite of his own personal love and admiration for his grandfather, in spite of his Southern tendencies and affiliations—in spite of everything—he sought the truth, freed of all bombast and superfluity, stripped of rhetoric and superlatives; and his search was not in vain.

Virginia has glory enough to need no overstatement, and her loyal son, Barton H. Wise, has showed how one may moderately and yet forcefully write a biography of one whose character and whose life was bound up with the councils, governments, and men of the most stirring period of our state's history. It is no small thing to have one's first book called "The best biography that has yet appeared of any character on either side during the civil war." (See *N. Y. Times*.) And the *Nation* says: "Mr. Barton Haxall Wise, the biographer, was a young man, full of promise, who made his grandfather's life a study of filial devotion, and died with the first proof sheets of the work upon his table."

with the manufacture of the plate he was obliged after about two years to give up his position and he returned to New York. Having had some experience in literary work he became engaged in newspaper correspondence. Showing ability in this he was made the manager for Franklin County, Massachusetts for the *Springfield Republican* with headquarters at Greenfield, Massachusetts. Subsequently feeling that a change of climate was necessary for his health, he resigned his position and went to California where he became assayer for the Free Gold Mining Company in San Diego County. At this he worked beyond his strength and was obliged to give it up. His ability was recognized in his new field and he was soon appointed Justice of Yuma County, a position that he filled with credit. After leaving the gold mine he spent some time in Los Angeles and the mountains in that region, but he failed to recuperate and in June, 1902 he returned to his home in Brooklyn, N. Y. He made repeated visits to the Adirondack Mountains to improve his health. His courage was good throughout and he was the same genial, optimistic gentleman to the last. His body was brought to Stafford Springs, Connecticut where his funeral was held in the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Rev. Dr. C. S. Davis, officiating. Bro. Warner was a member of the Ionic Lodge, F. and A. M., and was buried with Masonic ceremonies.

B. M. I. ERNST.



PERCY SIMS WHITE, TEXAS, '06.

Percy Sims White was born March 24, 1885, at Harvey Grove, Texas. In 1894, moving to Bonham, Texas, he entered the city high school, from which he was graduated in 1902, having completed the eleven years course in eight years. In September, 1902, he entered the University of Texas, where he was initiated into Texas Beta. He remained there one year, but on account of his health he entered Washington and Lee University in September, 1903. On Oct. 16, 1903, after an illness of three weeks, he died. His body rested for two days in the university chapel beside the recumbent statue of General Lee, and was escorted to the station by the entire student body. Brother White was related to the noted Sims family of South Carolina.

GEORGE HERBERT McKEAND ADAMS, LEHIGH, '06.

On the night of July 3, 1903, Bro. Adams was accidentally struck by an engine on the Philadelphia & Reading tracks, at the Union Station, South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. He was removed to St. Luke's Hospital, where he died the following morning with his family at his bedside.

Bro. Adams was born in Georgetown, Ontario, Canada, February 22, 1885, and was the son of Rev. C. Graham Adams, a retired Episcopalian clergyman, residing in South Bethlehem.

He entered Lehigh University from the Bethlehem Preparatory School, where he was graduated in June, 1902. In college he was well known, and his genial and kindly disposition made him many friends. He took an active interest in college life, being the treasurer of his class, and a member of the football squad.

By his death Pennsylvania Eta has been deprived of one of her most zealous and beloved members. Though he had been a Phi but a year, his residence here for the past few years had nevertheless brought us into close touch with him. He had a bright future, and there was so much for him to live for that his shocking death is doubly sad. He was an enthusiastic Phi, and no one was more aggressive and unflagging in his devotion to Phi Delta Theta. It is with the deepest regret that we record his entrance into the Chapter Grand.

**WILLIAM EDGAR BUNDY, OHIO, '86.**

When death came upon Colonel William Edgar Bundy, at Cincinnati, Aug. 16, 1903, Phi Delta Theta, lost one of the most brilliant and successful of the generation of alumni to which he belonged. In the past few years the honors and prestige which had come to him had been so well won and becomingly worn that all his friends were justified in predicting for him a career in which the highest honors of the state and nation were to be united with his future. His illness of brief duration, at first thought to be simply exhaustion from overwork or the culmination of several years strain in which



G. H. MCK. ADAMS,
Lehigh, '06.

ROBERT ABRAHAM DAVIS WILBANKS, INDIANA, CHICAGO, '67.

Robert A. D. Wilbanks, Indiana Alpha, '67, was the most active member of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ while he was in college. The fortunes of the fraternity were at a low ebb on account of the civil war, and he did more than any one else to reanimate the chapters which had survived the struggle and to kindle new enthusiasm among the members. At his instance, a state convention of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ was held at Indianapolis, June 30, 1865. It was the first state convention ever held by any fraternity and was a most successful affair. Over 100 $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ s are said to have attended, and public literary exercises were held in Masonic hall. In the fall of 1865, he entered the University of Chicago and organized Illinois Beta. This chapter was installed Jan. 11 and 12, 1866. In elaborateness the installation ceremonies were never before equaled and perhaps have never since been surpassed. Public literary exercises took place at the First Baptist church, Wabash avenue, on the first evening and a banquet at Kinsley's restaurant on the second evening. "Old Fraternity Records," which have appeared in *THE SCROLL*, contain many letters from him, in which he was constantly endeavoring to incite members to renewed activity in behalf of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. In a letter to St. John Boyle at Centre College, dated Oct. 18, 1865, he proposed that the fraternity issue a quarterly magazine. This is believed to be the first proposition to issue a $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ periodical that was ever made, and it was made years before any fraternity actually issued a journal. Bro. Wilbanks was a lawyer by profession. His home was in Mount Vernon, Ill. He served one term in the Illinois legislature. During the last few years he had some interests in Mexico which took him on trips to that country. He died at Washington, D. C., June 19, 1903.

WALTER B. PALMER.

**CHARLES MCKEE KRESS, DICKINSON, '03.**

Pennsylvania Epsilon mourns the death of one of her youngest brothers. Charles McKee Kress, a graduate in last year's class at the Dickinson School of Law, passed away in Philadelphia, April 18, 1904, after a short, but severe illness, two days after his twenty-fourth birthday. Bro. Kress, oldest son of Wilson Conrad Kress, Esq., a prominent attorney of Lock Haven, Pa., was graduated from the Lock Haven Normal School in 1898, and attended the Columbian University, Washington, D. C., until 1902, when he entered Dickinson College in the Law Department, receiving his LL. B. degree with the '03 class.

After graduation, Bro. Kress was interested in real estate in West Virginia until the last few months, when, in Lock Haven he took an active part in the politics of that city, and, though only twenty-four years old, was chairman of the republican city committee, and in the recent election distinguished himself by rare ability. He was also appointed delegate to the republican state convention, but was prevented, by illness, from attending.

For the past few months, Bro. Kress had been greatly overtaxing his mind and constitution with his legal work, and suddenly collapsed, Sunday, April 3. Two days later he was taken to the University Hospital, Philadelphia, where little hope was given for his recovery, and though his shattered constitution made a brave struggle for a short time, the silver cord was loosed April 18.

The funeral was held at the family residence in Lock Haven the following Thursday, and was largely attended, eight active and eight honorary pall bearers accompanying the remains to their last resting place. Among the honorary pall bearers was Bro. Lennon L. Smith, '04. A wealth of beautisul floral designs attested the high esteem in which Bro. Kress was held.

Even as we tell it, it does not seem possible that the brilliant, genial, light hearted Charles Kress is no more. Intelligent beyond his years, courteous and affable, he was a favorite with fraternity brothers and friends, the pride of his parents, and had a most promising career before him. Initiated by Pennsylvania Epsilon, shortly after entering Dickinson, he was early imbued with an active fraternity spirit, and as a Phi, was most aggressive and enthusiastic in forwarding the interests of the fraternity. WM. H. CHEESMAN.

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LLEWELLYN JAMES PRYSE, KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE, '06.

On the afternoon of April 1, 1904, in his nineteenth year, Bro. Llewellyn James Pryse, '06, entered the Chapter Grand. He had been in college only one week, where he had come to complete his junior year, when a case of appendicitis which had been developing unnoticed for some time suddenly made itself apparent. The doctors realizing his condition advised an early operation which took place before the arrival of his parents. Then followed two weeks of hopeful watching which ended with the sad result.

Bro. Pryse was the first man initiated into our chapter and was one of the thirteen members of "13" the junior society. His genial disposition made him a favorite generally. The remains were accompanied to his home in Beattyville, Kentucky, by a delegation from the chapter. R. H. BARCLAY.

EDITORIAL.

"THE old order changeth." The front rank steps out this month amid cheers and inward exultation mingled with sad regrets. Valedictories will be pleasing but of little avail if the men of 1904 have not become prepared to transmute into character and achievement the training of their college days. That they will do this and besides enjoy all the happiest fortunes that their dreams could create, is our devoutest wish. For the Phis who leave college this year we desire no greater blessing than that they may exemplify all the virtues and achieve all the ideals that are contemplated in the Bond of Phi Delta Theta. To do this they must remain ever loyal to the fraternity as an organization. They must show a substantial interest in their old chapters and enroll themselves in the alumni clubs. "Once a Phi, always a Phi," is a maxim worthy of the fundamental spirit of our order. May it never be forgotten by the men of 1904! May they always in the rolling years show the fulfillment of the promise of our patron goddess:

To the souls of fire, I, Pallas Athena, give more fire,
And to the manful a might more than man's.

IN mature years a man's appreciation of his fraternity membership vitally depends on how well his active fraternity life was led. It is certain that the indifference of many alumni is but the result of the previous failure of their chapters to contribute to their higher ethical and mental equipment. It is also true that a failure to perform the duties necessary to make fraternity life profitable will largely prevent an after awakening to its beauties and blessings. Older men do not always estimate things by a commercial standard, but one great aim of theirs is to set true and proper values on all the important things of life. Whatever is really worthy they will cherish, whether it be high honor, riches or wholesome sentiment; and their estimates are formed largely from their experi-

ence. The secret of the devotion that never dies is in the cultivation in college days of all the beauties and excellencies that are possible in so pure an association as that of a college chapter. The germ of the happy fraternal fellowship and charming retrospect of later days lies in the right beginning in fraternity life to practice the virtue and render the service which are the ideals of the Bond.

IN this presidential year Phi Delta Thetas will doubtless render many services to parties and country. We have been proud during each campaign to recount the activities of many of our brilliant brothers who have achieved fame in party service or reached the highest positions of honor and power. Phi Delta Theta has been able to "point with pride" to a long and distinguished roll of them, among whom today are twelve Phis in the lower house of Congress. This year, when great questions, some new in character, are pressing upon us for honest solutions, we rejoice in the opportunity of trained heads and sincere hearts to stand for whatever is best and truest in our national life. We are sure that Phi Delta Theta will be heard from in many of her able sons. Already has the pace been set by HUGH THOMAS MILLER, who on April 21 received the republican nomination for lieutenant-governor of Indiana. The story of Bro. Miller's brilliant fight against several worthy opponents is one of which we would be intensely proud even if we did also not know him so well and so affectionately. The whole fraternity rejoices in his success and abundantly appreciates the fine taste shown by the republicans of Indiana. All hail to Governor Miller!

OUR pioneer New England chapter deserves all the space given to it in this number in order to show what twenty-five years have wrought through it for the fraternity. Vermont Alpha has ever been a pillar of strength to Phi Delta Theta in the east. In all these years the chapter has had a strong purpose and sustained vitality. It has added many honorable names to our rolls. The account of the alumni shows how

much they have cherished their fraternity membership and adorned their fraternity. The influence of Vermont Alpha has been vital in New England and her contribution to its citizenship has been great in honor and usefulness.

THE new star shining in Phi Delta Theta gives us promise of a continuing resplendence. We can well afford to lavish our fraternal affection upon the new child in our official family. Pennsylvania Theta fulfills all the requirements for admission as a chapter into Phi Delta Theta. In a well-equipped and growing institution whose development can hardly be foretold, these new brothers, strong in abilities and successful in every line of college activity, will plant our standard securely and bring enduring honor to the fraternity. They begin their chapter career with the hearty felicitations of all Phis. Seven of their sister chapters are in Pennsylvania, which will be a banner state for Phi Delta Theta with eight live, loyal and prosperous chapters within its borders. Every Phi should read carefully the account of Pennsylvania State College and find great pleasure in the current story of the happy installation of Pennsylvania Theta. It is an added strength to the fraternity and a distinct contribution to human brotherhood.

VACATION is the beginning of the battle for the coming chapter supremacy, and that battle is first to be won by alert looking around for the very best material. Every chapter, before commencement, should appoint a committee to investigate thoroughly every college-going youth and be prepared to make definite recommendations in the fall. It is not ours to suggest any new methods, but rather to insist that the old methods be diligently followed. Circulars should be sent to Phis requesting information and advice as to any students likely to enter the institution. Any Phis knowing of such cases ought voluntarily to write to the chapters in the institutions to which they will go. Our alumni in this can especially render valuable service. We sincerely trust that every chap-

ter will reassemble in the autumn in the full glow of enthusiasm and prepared to make itself stronger than before. A list of the summer addresses of the various chapter reporters will be seen at the end of this number of THE SCROLL.

YEAR by year grows longer the sad roll of those true and noble brothers who have passed into the Chapter Grand. Commensurate with the growth in membership is the increase in the number of our losses. While few of our old men have died during the past year, death has visited $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ in many distressing ways. In this number are the memorials of some of the truest Phis we have ever known. Some met death in the bloom of health when the sable messenger struck with swift precision. Others were the victims of slow disease produced by their long strain after the achievement of the noblest ambitions. They had not gone far in life's journey, and it is painful to think of the lives of future honor and achievement that were denied to them and to us. They are martyrs to great purposes and their memories will ever adorn our annals. In recollection many a chapter circle is sadly incomplete without their splendid faces counted as among the living. It is not necessary to exhort their brothers to cherish the rich legacies of their lives, for the record of every departed member is an integral part of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$.

AT St. Louis during the week of July 11-18, there ought to be a great reunion of Phi Delta Thetas. We suppose that nearly every Phi is arranging to visit the World's Fair at some time, and we can ask pertinently, why not be in St. Louis during that week? That great city of the central west ought to attract everyone, and we believe that the only thing necessary to have a large gathering is for us all to agree sincerely that we will be there July 11 to 18 and stop at the Hotel Hamilton. In the May *Palladium* Bro. Switzler has detailed the arrangements, so that we need only resolve upon going at that time to be assured of the enjoyment of one of the greatest social blessings in the world. Let us all be sure to go.

Chapter Correspondence.

ALPHA PROVINCE.

QUEBEC ALPHA, MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

The college year of 1903-04 is a thing of the past as far as arts, science, and law are concerned. Commencement week was very successful with its tree-planting exercises, senior dance and graduation dinners. Bro. Drysdale, our first '04 alumnus, received his B. Sc. degree at the convocation, April 29.

In the department of medicine there is a spring term, but this as usual has been uneventful on account of examinations ahead. The medical convocation for the granting of degrees is set for June 10.

Once more we have great pleasure in introducing a new brother to Φ Δ Θ in the person of Gordon Thorburn Brown, medicine, '06. Bro. Brown is treasurer of the athletic association for next year. Among other honors we have Bro. Hilbard, '06, on the editorial board of the *Annual* and the *Outlook* and Bro. Sharp, '06, is secretary-treasurer of the mining society.

Φ Δ X which has occupied a house just below us has lately moved to a more commodious house on Sherbrooke Street.

Montreal, May 14, 1904.

LYMAN C. LAUCHLAND.

MAINE ALPHA, COLBY COLLEGE.

The last term of the year is now well under way. Baseball, track, and tennis are all receiving their due amount of attention. The baseball prospects are good. Colby has one of the best batteries in the state, and will no doubt make a good showing against her other Maine rivals. Track work is receiving more attention than usual this spring, since the intercollegiate meet is to be held here Saturday, May 14. The prospects in this branch of athletics are better than they have been for several years.

The new grand stand is in the process of erection. One-half of it is to be built this spring, and the other half will be completed during the summer vacation. This grand stand, when completed, will have a seating capacity of about eleven hundred, and will have locker rooms and baths underneath.

During the summer months a new ladies dormitory will be erected to take the place of the three small houses now used for that purpose. This will be a decided improvement. As has been stated in a previous letter, the athletic field will be somewhat changed during the summer and the Hersey House or "Commons" will be moved from the field.

A gift has been recently made to the college for the purpose of beautifying the campus. This work will be begun at once.

Among the recent honors are the following: Bros. Pile and Newman, '07, have made the baseball team; Bros. Hoyt and Joy, '05, Bowdoin and Emery, '06, and Newman, '07, represent us on the track team; Bros. Bowdoin and Chipman, '06, have been appointed on the sophomore declamation. Commencement occurs June 26-29. Maine Alpha loses no men by graduation, thus the prospects for next year are fine.

Waterville, May 12, 1904.

ARTHUR L. FIELD.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE.

Dartmouth has just entered upon the most enjoyable time of the college year—spring and junior week. May 18, 19, 20 will be given up to the entertainment of the fair guests from out of town. The program for this year, arranged by Bro. Blatner, chairman of the "Prom." committee, is more elaborate than ever before; besides the "Prom." and the fraternity dances, the dramatic club will present "The School for Scandal." An excellent vaudeville show is also to be given, and canoe and swimming races are scheduled to take place. Weather permitting, we will have a most enjoyable time.

The baseball season has been greatly hindered this year by the weather, three of the games being canceled because of rain. The only defeat we have met so far has been at the hands of Harvard by a 4-1 score. Bro. Shaw is again pitching this year. Bro. Black, '07, who pitched a strong game against Wesleyan, has been barred by the one year rule. The team is rounding out in great shape and we feel confident that we have already suffered the only defeat of the season.

The track team was successful in outpointing the strong Massachusetts Institute of Technology team by the score of 83-71. The Williams meet comes May 14 and the team is hard at work. Bros. Emery, Wallace and Liscomb represent us on the squad.

Bro. Shaw, who was elected asst. marshal for the commencement exercises has recently been elected to the senior society, Casque and Gauntlet.

Bro. Oakford has been elected an associate editor of the *Dartmouth Literary Monthly* and Bro. Higman has been elected to the *Dartmouth Weekly* board as an associate.

We wish to extend a cordial invitation to all Phis who may be visiting in the neighborhood of Hanover this summer and to assure them that they will be cordially welcomed at the house.

HALSEY B. LODER.

Hanover, May 12, 1904.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

Baseball is at present the most interesting topic at the University of Vermont. The team has been most unfortunate in having games cancelled, but of those played, the one with Holy Cross is the only one that our team has lost. Harvard cancelled, and the games with Andover, Brown and Williams were prevented by rain. Vermont has defeated Rensselaer, Colgate and Rochester. Vermont Alpha is represented on the team by Bros. Varnum, manager; Orton, captain; Brooks and Peck. At present writing the university track team is at Worcester, competing in the N. E. I. A. A. meet. There are tennis tournaments with Dartmouth and Bowdoin scheduled for the near future. The debating team was defeated by the Bates College team at Lewiston, Maine, recently. Bro. Perry, '06, was a member of the team, and Bro. Dixon of Dartmouth was one of the judges. Bros. Perry and Thomson are among the five sophomores chosen for the Kingsley prize speaking, Watson and Edson having been elected to the *Cynic* board, and Thomson is one of the cast for the college play, which will be Shakspere's "Tempest" this year. May 1 was observed as Founder's Day. Bro. Briggs, '04, was chairman of the committee and the speakers were H. O. Wheeler, '67, E. V. Perkins, '05, and H. E. Cunningham, '04. Vermont Alpha observed March 15 as Alumni Day by a spirited reunion at the chapter house. The occasion was marked by the organization of the $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ Club of Burlington. The annual junior prom was held in the gymnasium, April 22, Bro. Newton being a member of the committee. With the coming commencement, which marks the centennial of the graduation of the first class from the university, Vermont

Alpha will lose four men by graduation—Bros. Briggs, Cunningham, Mack and Varnum. Bro. Briggs is chairman of the class day committee. Bro. Varnum is on the finance committee, Bro. Mack, was until recently, class treasurer, but he resigned, because he expected to enter upon the practice of his profession in May. Bro. Cunningham is a class day speaker and on the senior promenade committee. The 25th anniversary of Vermont Alpha will be celebrated during commencement week. The chapter hopes to meet and entertain at that time a large number of her alumni. This from other chapters will be cordially welcomed. The plans of the committee in charge require that they should know of all who are coming, if possible. Wishing a successful termination to the year's work for all our chapters, and an equally good beginning for next year, we conclude the correspondence of the year.

N. A. TOWNE.

Burlington, May 10, 1904.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA, WILLIAMS COLLEGE.

The baseball season is now well under way the team having so far played five games, while rain stopped those with Yale and University of Vermont. In the three contests away from home we were beaten by Andover, West Point and Harvard. On her home grounds, however, Williams has won from Union and Colby.

The track season was auspiciously opened by a duel meet with N. Y. U. which was defeated by the decisive score of 89-37. Williams won 9 of the 14 events; one college record was equaled and another broken. Such results certainly augur well for a strong team, on which the fraternity will be represented by Bro. Newell in the half and Bro. Crooker in the two mile run.

In a tennis tournament with Brown the Williams representatives won all four matches in straight sets.

Bro. Hulst, '06, represented the college in a chess match which was won by Amherst, and he will be one of the speakers in the sophomore debate with that college. The varsity debate with Dartmouth will take place in Williamstown the latter part of the month.

The sophomore promenade, the social event of the spring term, will be held May 27-31. Besides the prom, itself on the first night interest centers in ball games with Wesleyan and Dartmouth, the presentation of their play, "A Night Off" by "Cap and Bells," the dramatic association, the concert of the musical clubs, and the elections to Gargoyle, the senior society.

Williamstown, May 1, 1904.

ALBERT P. NEWELL.

MASSACHUSETTS BETA, AMHERST COLLEGE.

As I write news has just been received from Worcester that Amherst is again victor in the New England inter-collegiate meet. The fellows are already at work building a large bonfire and there will be a "hot time" in the town tonight. This makes three years in succession that Amherst has won the N. E. I. meet. Four years ago she lost it by one-sixth of a point, this year she won it by a margin of 15 points.

The baseball team under the captaincy of Bro. Shay is doing pretty good work. The following is the result of the schedule thus far. Springfield League club, 4; Amherst, 10; Williston, 0; Amherst, 5; Trinity, 1; Amherst, 18; Colby, 4; Amherst, 5; M. A. C., 0; Amherst, 8; Trinity, 0; Amherst, 10; Yale, 7; Amherst, 4; Springfield Training school, 2; Amherst, 7; Holy Cross, 7; Amherst, 3; Tufts, 1; Amherst, 2. That gives Amherst a total score of 72 to her opponents 26.

The junior "Prom." comes May 30. Twelve of the brothers hope to attend, so quite extensive renovation is being carried on inside the chapter house. The brothers will vacate the house during "Prom." week and turn it over to the young ladies (sister Phis) who attend the "Prom."

Since our last writing a few honors have fallen our way. Bro. Peabody, '05, has been chosen chairman of the senior dramatics committee for next year. Bro. Greenaway, '05, has been elected president of the Young Men's Christian Association. Bro. Bottomly, '05, made Phi Beta Kappa on first drawing. Bro. McRae, '06, is one of the regular pitchers on the team and has pitched remarkably good ball. The chapter at present stands well in college both in athletics and scholarship. The rushing committee have already begun operation, with a view to getting in a strong delegation next year.

DAVID A. GREENAWAY.

Amherst, May 21, 1904.

RHODE ISLAND ALPHA, BROWN UNIVERSITY.

Spring and the longing for life out of doors has arrived. Tennis has been started on the university courts. A team sent to Williams was defeated. A tournament now will be played to decide upon the men who will be sent to Longwood.

Considering the circumstances under which the baseball team has been playing, it has done remarkably well. They have defeated Tufts, 2-1, and Princeton, 7-3, although they were defeated by Dartmouth, Yale and Holy Cross. Pennsylvania will be the next team to face Brown, followed by Dartmouth again.

The class baseball teams have been picked and the freshman-sophomore game will soon be played. Bros. Graham, McIntyre, and Huff are on the sophomore team.

Brown was defeated by Johns Hopkins in a debate a short while ago.

The track team is progressing in good form, and a good team will be sent to Worcester to take part in the meet given by the New England Intercollegiate Athletic Association. A meet with Wesleyan resulted in a victory for Brown by a score of 66-59.

A series of outdoor symphony concerts to be given during the remainder of the term will be started on Wednesday evening, May 11. These concerts are given by the college symphony orchestra, and are much appreciated by the students.

The Union gave a smoker a short time ago. Professor Bailey spoke on "Brown, as it used to be."

Junior week has come and gone with its jollities. The Sock and Buskin, the dramatic club, presented "The Rivals" in a very successful manner, the glee club entertained for another evening; the junior society of Pi Kappa gave a farce and tea, and the Prom ended numerous other festivities with its usual good time.

The freshmen held their banquet on April 26 in spite of the strenuous work of the sophomores, who endeavored to kidnap the speakers and class officers of the freshman class.

A series of interfraternity baseball games, to be played at six o'clock in the morning, have been arranged. Phi Delta Theta plays Psi Upsilon for her first game.

B. H. BUXTON.

Providence, May 7, 1904.

NEW YORK ALPHA, CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

The baseball team is back after its hard southern trip, having acquitted itself as well as could be expected. We won only two of the seven games, most of which were with professionals. The men, however, were laboring under heavy disadvantages in making the long jumps necessary and having had no outdoor practice previous to going south.

Bro. Jennings, coach, says the prospect for the season is very bright and the material developed on the trip exceptionally good. Bro. Wiley accompanied the team and played short stop. Bro. Tobin is also a promising candidate, having played last year on the scrubs. After the season here Bro. Jennings will go to Baltimore, where he will manage the Orioles and play his position of 2d base.

The crew men, now that they are able to get on the water, are rapidly coming into shape. Two cuts have already been made and the number of candidates, which was exceedingly large, has been materially reduced. Bro. Coffin, captain, says he expects an unusually fine crew to be developed. Bro. Ballanger is also rowing in the first varsity squad.

The annual races of the second varsity will be held here on May 30. It is not definitely known just what other colleges will compete. On the same date we play Pennsylvania in baseball. It is said the interscholastic track meet will be held here at the same time. We will, of course, have our usual houseparty, which we hope and anticipate will be unusually fine.

It goes without saying that we will be at Poughkeepsie in June and attempt to win again the victory we have been fortunate enough to win so many times before.

As to track, the material is very abundant, and it keeps trainer Moakley and Bro. Ketchum, captain, very busy. The winter season was fairly successful considering that we have no indoor track, and the winter was so hard as to prevent training out of doors a great deal of the time. The world's record for the four mile relay race was broken by the Cornell team at Madison Square Garden.

Although several star men have been incapacitated either through sickness or work, yet the team as a whole is well balanced and the outlook is good. Following is the schedule of the meets to be held: Syracuse, May 7, at Syracuse; Pennsylvania, May 14, at Ithaca; Princeton, May 21, at Princeton; Intercollegiate, May 27 and 28, at Philadelphia.

The chapter is in flourishing condition and the freshman class is making good in every respect. We lose quite a large contingent by graduation in June. Bro. Ellis is on the senior ball committee and Bro. Henekins on that of the senior banquet. Bro. McGee won on the freshman banquet, which happened on March 4, with more or less friendly contention on the part of the sophomores. About a hundred and fifty "Fresh" were captured and grotesquely decorated, afterwards being marched about the town and finally turned into the Armory where the banquet was held. The affair was greatly overstated in the newspapers, as only the most friendly rivalry prevailed. Bro. Albaum had a toast.

The annual banquet of New York Alpha was celebrated at the lodge on March 19, and was most successful in every way. There were many guests, many toasts and much good fellowship. A large number of steins was added to our collection by those present.

Again the chapter wishes to extend to this on the visiting teams and all others who may come this way the hospitality of New York Alpha.

Ithaca, April 7, 1904.

E. R. MOSHER.

NEW YORK BETA, UNION COLLEGE.

Union, '04, is represented in New York Beta by Bros. Beadle, Donhauser, Guardenier, Hays, and Leut. Of these there are three who each received one of the ten commencement stage appointments, given to the three engineers of highest standing and the seven men of the other courses of highest standing. Bro. Lent is at present highest in the class; and, provided he remains so, will be valedictorian. Bro. Beadle is second highest classical, and fifth highest in the class. Bro. Hays is third highest classical. Bro. Donhauser, college, '04, medic, '07, stands high in the medical college, where he has been taking his last academic year. Bro. Guardenier is class-day orator.

The baseball team which started out so promisingly did not distinguish itself until the Hamilton game on May 7. After the first game of the season the players from the law department, offended because one of their men was not assigned a place on the team, deserted in a body. The scores of games so far played have been as follows: West Point 4, Union 0; Amherst—cancelled by same; Williams 4, Union 1; St. Lawrence—not played on account of rain; Hamilton 4, Union 10; Hobart 9, Union 10 (in an eleven inning game); Hamilton 12, Union 15; Colgate—cancelled. Bro. Richards is substitute on the varsity.

The track team met Trinity College on Saturday, May 14, in Albany and was defeated by a score of 57-51. There are to be meets with R. P. I., Rochester, and Hamilton. Bro. Dann has second place in the shot-put, on the team.

The chapter greatly regrets to loose five such brothers from its active list as the present seniors. They have set us a high standing to keep up to, and we will require our utmost endeavors to maintain it.

We shall be very glad to see any of the alumni of the chapter, or brothers from other colleges at commencement this year. They will "always find a warm reception."

MARCUS H. ELLIOTT.

Schenectady, May 14, 1904.

NEW YORK DELTA, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

Columbia is making extended preparations to celebrate her 150th anniversary next fall. The dates of the whole celebration are Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Oct. 29, 30 and 31. The program is now formulated and includes a student celebration which will be in charge of Dean J. Howard Van Arninge. It was hoped to have several of the prominent American and foreign educators, who will address the educational convention at the St. Louis Worlds Fair, speak during the celebration, but this was found to be impossible as many of the speakers will have returned home by October 31. One of the many features of the affair, will be the laying of the corner stones of two of the dormitories which lately have been given to the university.

The outdoor work in athletics has now been in full swing for about two months, and it is safe to say that it looks as though the results will be as successful as the mid-winter sports. The fencing team closed a very successful season under Bro. E. Pitou, Jr., '04, C., as captain. The team was beaten in only one dual meet and tied for second place with Cornell in the intercollegiates.

The baseball team has done remarkably well so far, having been defeated in only two games, by Yale and Fordham, the score with Yale being 1-0, and with the latter 3-12. Cornell was defeated by the very good score of 7-0. Syracuse also lost two games to the varsity nine. Bro. W. Tyler, '04, C., has lived up to his reputation as a pitcher and has done some excellent

work for his team. He has struck out on the average about twelve to fourteen men in every game in which he has pitched.

Rowing is still a thing of the future, as far as results go. The varsity and freshman crews are training hard for the Poughkeepsie regatta. The prospects do not seem as favorable as were anticipated early in the season. However, Coach Goodwin is far from discouraged and believes that the blue and white will be well to the front at Poughkeepsie. The matter which is puzzling both the captain and the coach is the development of a suitable stroke. Bro. Maeder, '04, C., has been stroking the boat for some time, but has now given way to Bro. Miller, '06, S., who rowed number seven in last year's freshman crew. Before a final selection is made, however, it is probable that Coach Goodwin will try out every man in the first boat. Bro. Updike, '04 C., will probably resume his old place as stroke of the varsity four. In the freshman boat, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is represented by Bro. L. Clapp, and Bro. G. Norris.

Bro. C. Gantert, '06, C., has been elected manager of the hockey team for next year, with Bro. G. Norris, '07, C., as his assistant. Bro. Norris was manager of his class team.

Bro. W. Benham, '06, S., who was elected captain of next year's gym. team, has entered for the championship on parallel bars to be held at the St. Louis exposition during the summer. In his freshman year he easily captured the intercollegiate championship for parallel bars, and will undoubtedly make a strong bid for first honors in the coming event.

New York, May 15, 1904.

JOHN L. TONNELS.

NEW YORK EPSILON, SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY.

Examinations in all departments will begin about one week earlier than usual. In the liberal arts they will begin May 20. The university is in every way prosperous. Preparations have been made for a successful summer school. Haven Hall is fast nearing completion and will be a valuable addition to Chancellor Day's work for the institution. The Chancellor is now attending the Methodist general conference at Los Angeles.

At present much interest is being manifested in an interfraternity baseball league consisting of $\Delta K E$, $\Delta \Upsilon$, $\Phi K \Psi$, $B \Theta II$ and $\Phi \Delta \Theta$. We stand a very good show of winning the pennant. The varsity had a very successful southern trip, winning 10 out of 13 games.

The chapter is in excellent condition. We have pledged two men who will enter college next fall, also an '06, Henry Dexter, of Newport. All this are earnestly requested to inform the chapter of any desirable men who may be coming to Syracuse. Communications may be sent to Edwin R. Millen, 602 Crouse avenue.

The results of the Cornell-Syracuse track meet, $82\frac{1}{2}$ to $32\frac{1}{2}$, showed that either there is a lack of interest in track work, or that we need a change in our system of training. At Philadelphia we took first place in class A of the mile relay. Phi Delta Theta was represented by Bros. Ralph and Twombly. These two, together with Bros. Terry and Robertson, will try for a Phi Delta Theta mile record.

H. D. SANFORD.

Syracuse, May 10, 1904.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA, LAFAYETTE COLLEGE.

Since our last letter Rev. Selden J. Coffin, A. M., Ph. D., registrar of the college, has tendered his resignation. Dr. Coffin has been connected with the college since 1865, and since 1886 has held the office of registrar.

His resignation is because of ill health. Rev. Marcus W. Kratz, A. M., '95, has been chosen as his successor. Mr. Kratz has won many friends, and brings to his new position an enviable record for ability, earnestness and business tact.

The baseball season is now in full sway and Lafayette is represented by the strongest team she has had for several years. Syracuse, Cornell, and our old rival, Lehigh, have all been beaten, and we are looking forward to more of our important games. Bro. Hubley, '05, is playing a steady game at 2d base. Bro. Pomeroy, '05, has been elected manager of last year's team.

The 1905 *Melange* has made its appearance, and it can be truly said it is one of the best annuals that has been issued for several years. Bro. Latham, '05, is business manager, and to him credit must be given for many of its original features and its pleasing appearance. Bro. H. H. McIntire, '06, has been elected an assistant editor of the 1906 *Melange*.

The prospects of a good track team are bright. On the relay team which ran at University of Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania Alpha was represented by two men, Bro. Wilson, '06, and Bro. McPherson, '07. Meets have been scheduled with Annapolis, Rutgers and Lehigh.

Bro. Johnston, '04, has been selected as fence orator of his class. He is also entered in the Barge oratorical contest which comes off May 30.

Rev. Latham, '05, has been selected as one of the four representatives from Nash Hall to compete in the junior oratorical contest which will be held next week.

The *Sock and Buckskin* is making arrangements for its calculus play which is given commencement week. The club has secured a new coach and bids fair to produce a good show. Bro. Johnston, '04, and Bro. J. W. McIntire, '06, are trying for places on the cast.

Bro. Cooper, was the official representative of the chapter at the installation of Pennsylvania Theta at the State college. Owing to the distance and the time of the year more of the brothers were kept from attending.

Bro. Wilson, '06, has been elected vice president of the Y. M. C. A., to serve for the ensuing year. Bro. Welsh, '07, has been elected captain of the freshman baseball team. Bros. Hemingway and Durett are candidates for the same team. Bros. Hemingway and Durett have been elected to the Calumet Club, an honorary sophomore society.

The active chapter is looking forward to its annual banquet during commencement week, and hopes to see a large number of alumni present.

Easton, May 11, 1904.

E. GRAHAM WILSON.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE.

The college is still in a state of expectation as to who will be our next president, as Dr. Valentine has declined the position.

Our bunch have been very well represented in all the elections this term. Bro. T. D. Thomas, '07, class baseball captain; Bro. P. Singmaster, '07, class baseball manager; Bro. Dombarger, '06, class baseball manager and business manager of the *Spectrum*; Bro. Fryett baseball manager.

Bro. Eppler, '04, is improving from his operation and expects to be with us next fall. Bro. Hay, '03, who went home with consumption, is in a very bad plight.

The tennis tournaments are now on and the chapter is well represented in them.

Next year Bro. Muhlenberg, '06, enters the University of Pennsylvania and Bro. Dunbar, '04, enters Johns Hopkins.

The chapter has been giving a series of informal dances at its house this term. The annual banquet will be held at the Gettysburg Hotel on June 14. Gettysburg, May 9, 1904.

T. FRYATT.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE.

Baseball season has been inaugurated at W. and J., amid much enthusiasm, but the results of the game to date have come far from the predictions of the students. Five games won and three lost is our record so far and in the entire last season we lost but three games. As expected, the only Phi on the team, Bro. Hughes, has proved to be the best pitcher we have. The team leaves tonight on its eastern trip on which Princeton, Fordham, Lafayette and other worthy schools will be met.

Pennsylvania Gamma has issued invitations for a large picnic dance to be held at Oakwood Park near Pittsburgh on May 25. We have reason to expect this to surpass any other fraternity functions of the year.

Washington and Jefferson has won both intercollegiate debates this year, Western Reserve and Wooster universities being the vanquished rivals. This has given quite an impetus to oratory in the college and an active revival in this line of work is looked for next year. Phi Delta Theta is represented in the six junior orators by Bro. Davis. Bro. Paul Stuart has been honored with the presidency of the college Y. M. C. A. and was its delegate to the recent convention held at State College. Bro. Brown, our only senior, will be one of the honor men of his class. From these notes it will be observed that we have a finger in every pie in the college.

President James D. Moffat, who leaves next month for a European trip, will read a paper before the Presbyterian Alliance at Liverpool, England, on June 28.

Washington and Jefferson has at present a very unique method of allowing the students who fail to pass examinations in any study to contribute two dollars to a fund for books for the new library, for every re-examination taken. The new library in question has been under active construction for about a year and has now got a good start made on the foundation. From the number of books being donated by the students and the rapidity with which the library is going up, it is feared that an addition will have to be built to it before the building is completed.

HORACE W. DAVIS.

Washington, Pa., May 10, 1904.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA, ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Thus far the baseball season has progressed very successfully for Allegheny College. The team has played and won three games. Bro. Strickles is manager and Bros. Turner, Lewis, and Wynn are members of the team. In the great intercollegiate meet at Philadelphia this spring the Allegheny relay team won third place in their class. Bros. Stickler and Clark are members of the relay. The *Kaldron*, the college annual, is well under way and promises to keep up its reputation as an interesting book. Bros. Freeman, Morrison, and Giese are members of The *Kaldron* board.

A few weeks ago the state convention of the college Y. M. C. A. presidents met at State College. Bro. Morrison, president of our Y. M. C. A., attended the sessions. At the recent elections of *Literary Monthly* editors, Bro. Robertson was elected assistant editor. The Wakefield oration contest, the most important contest of the year, was this year won by Bro. Thompson, who gave a masterly oration on "Oliver Cromwell." He thus won the \$50.00 prize and earned the right to represent Allegheny in the in-

tercollegiate contest. Our chapter this year has been in unusually good condition. At present, including the pledged men, we have twenty-six members. Just now we are making preparations for the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of our chapter. This celebration will take place during commencement week. We are expecting to have upwards of 100 Phis present at our annual banquet. We are assured of this for the alumni are taking a very active interest in all the preparations.

The college has an unusually large enrollment for the spring term. At a recent chapel service Dr. Crawford surprised the students with the announcement that a large tract of valuable property at the back and north of the gymnasium had come into possession of the college; this ground will be used for an athletic field. The authorities intend to make it an ideal one.

Meadville, May 11, 1904.

BRUCE WRIGHT.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON, DICKINSON COLLEGE.

Our chapter has met with a severe loss in the death of Bro. Charles McKee Kress, '03, which occurred in Philadelphia, April 18. Bro. Kress had been active in politics and severe mental exertion brought on a nervous collapse.

The baseball season is in full sway and we have lost but two games thus far—Ursinus and State. The following games have been played: Mercersburg Academy (7-6), Franklin and Marshall (9-2), Bucknell (1-1), Maryland (5-4), St. Mary's (10-9), Ursinus (1-4), Lehigh (8-1), State (7-8) and Bucknell (5-4). At the annual track meet in Philadelphia, Dickinson won third place. Several athletic meets have been arranged, only one having come off as yet—one with State, which we lost. The annual inter-scholastic meet was held last Saturday on the Dickinson athletic field, and Mercersburg academy took first place, Dickinson preparatory school, second.

The glee and mandolin clubs, under the management of Bro. Baker, have had several short trips during the month, the concerts being given at Steelton, Mechanicsburg, Chambersburg and Shippensburg.

Work is proceeding rapidly on the new Denny Memorial Building, and the graduating class will lay the corner stone during commencement week. Bros. Beekman, Cheesman, L. Smith, Spedden and Wilcox will be graduated this year. We now have one pledged man in prep. and the outlook for next year is good.

The 1905 *Microcosm* has been delayed on account of engraving work. Bro. H. Smith is an assistant manager and a good book is expected.

Carlisle, May 16, 1904.

WM. H. CHEESMAN,

PENNSYLVANIA ZETA, UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

The list of entries for the inter-collegiate track meet, to be held on Franklin Field, the 27th and 28th of this month, is larger than any previous inter-collegiate meet, and all the events will be hotly contested. Twenty-three colleges and universities have entered. Pennsylvania Zeta welcomes all visiting Phis. A committee for this purpose has been appointed.

On May 30 the "American Henley" regatta takes place on the Schuylkill. Bro. York, stroke of last year's freshman crew will row in Pennsylvania's four-oared. The annual May Day sports between the sophomores and freshmen went off with an unusual amount of gusto and enthusiasm. It will be remembered that this celebration marks the anniversary of Dewey's victory in Manila Bay. Six years ago the news came to Pennsylvania along about midnight. The firing of pistols and cries of "all out" brought the

inhabitants of the dormitories down into the triangle campus. The night was warm and the men in their eagerness to learn the news poured out from all the houses in their pajamas. An impromptu "night shirt parade" was held in which the participants did not confine themselves to the precincts of the triangle, but swarmed out into the streets and performed the famous "snake dance" all through the paths and alleys of the university grounds. Thus in a joyous moment of spontaneous enthusiasm, Pennsylvania gave birth to a custom which has since been handed down and will go down to future generations as one of her dearest traditions. The last celebration was worthy of the first. Bro. Klaer presided as May king, Bros. Gardiner and Hilderbrand acting as tipstaver. Bros. Hawley and Block wrestled and boxed for '07, while Bro. McCarey wrestled for '06.

The annual sophomore cremation was held on the 13th by the class of 1906 on Franklin Field. Bro. A. Ludlow occupied the throne of "Devil-in-chief," being surrounded by a band of fiendish imps. During the ceremonies he sang two songs composed by himself for the occasion. Bros. Hendri, McCarey and York were active participants.

There is a movement on foot here to raise \$800, in order to properly finish the lower hallways and swimming pool in our new gym. An effort is being made to raise this fund among the several fraternities. Pennsylvania Zeta pledged herself for \$50 to be given unconditionally.

Pennsylvania Zeta turned out en masse for the Princeton baseball game in straw hats. The $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ hat bands made their first appearance. We can congratulate ourselves upon two such happy colors.

Bro. Goodin has been appointed chairman of the 1905 class record committee. Bro. Dorsett, one of our graduating meds, four years at Wisconsin Alpha, has been elected to the position of resident physician at St. Agnes Hospital, Philadelphia. Bro. Hobbs was recently elected to the Architectural society. Bros. W. R. Hardt and Richards have been initiated into the Friar's senior society. There have always been This among the Friars. Bros. Acker and Diefendorf were among the founders.

It is with deep regret that Pennsylvania Zeta bids farewell to Bros. Acker, Austin, Dorset, Keene, Davis, Ludlow and Collins. These brothers have left an enviable record behind them. The departure of Bro. Acker, who has been in the active chapter for seven years, is particularly keenly felt.

Philadelphia, May 17, 1904.

JOSIAH RICHARDS.

PENNSYLVANIA ETA, LEHIGH UNIVERSITY.

The goat had a chance to get busy last month and as a result we take great pleasure in introducing Bro. Spaeth of Philadelphia to the fraternity. The baseball season so far has been all that can be expected, considering the ill luck which has attended the team. Although beaten by our rivals, Lafayette, by the score of 3 to 2 in the first of the series, we still have hopes. Brothers Badgley and J. McCleary are relied upon to do all the pitching. Bro. Blazer plays center field. Bro. H. McCleary is developing well at putting the shot, and is a great strength to the track team in that respect.

The "Mustard Club" dramatic association made a great success of their play, which was given in Allentown and Reading, besides being given in Bethlehem. Bro. J. McCleary had one of the leading parts. Bro. Haust was one of the six men chosen from the freshman class to speak in the freshman oratorical contest. Bro. Orth has been elected manager of the senior class book committee. Bro. Hartzog has been elected class prophet for the class day exercises. Bro. Blazer responded to a toast at the freshmen ban-

quet. Pennsylvania Eta would like to see all of her alumni back during commencement week, or at least as many as can possibly get there.

South Bethlehem, May 14, 1904.

J. H. WALLACE.

BETA PROVINCE.

VIRGINIA GAMMA, RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE.

The college is about to close one of the most successful years it has ever had. In literary work, our record is excellent. We won a debate with Trinity College, at Durham, N. C., and another with Washington and Lee University. This is the second debate we have won with Washington and Lee. Bro. Bowlus was one of the marshals for the occasion.

Our football record was much better than the one for last session. Bro. Leavell represented $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ as center rush. But in baseball we are hard to be excelled. In the most exciting and enthusiastic game of the season we won from our old rival Richmond College by a score of 13 to 6. We shut the Virginia Military Institute out by the score of 5 to 0. Bro. Brent played in right field and Bro. Blakeney made one of the most successful managers we have ever had.

Before long, the fraternity men will meet and discuss the question of whether we shall wait while at the beginning of next session before pledging and initiating men. This plan was adopted last fall and worked very well indeed, but we do not know what will be decided upon for next year in the meeting of the Greeks here.

Our commencement exercises promise to be the best we have had in several years. Hon. Claude A. Swanson, an old Randolph-Macon man and now a congressman from Virginia, will deliver an address. The graduating class is not as large as last year's but has more A. M. degree men in it. We regret the loss of Bros. Williams and Blakeney by graduation. They are the oldest and most influential men in the chapter and Virginia Gamma will feel their loss very heavily. We hope to have back with us next year, however, Bros. Carter, Brent, Bowlus, Varner and Gravely.

The whole chapter extends its sympathy to Bro. Hutchinson, who left college about a month ago. He was a man for any fraternity to be proud of and he has our best wishes for success. At present he is at work in Roanoke, Virginia.

R. P. GRAVELY.

VIRGINIA ZETA, WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY.

This has been a record breaking year at Washington and Lee. Increased attendance, enlarged equipment, and phenomenal success in athletics are the most noticeable signs of progress. Before our handsome science hall is complete the foundation has been laid of what is to be one of the most complete and elegant dormitories to be found at any southern institution. Both of these buildings will be ready for use at the beginning of fall term. Recent extensive remodeling of the old buildings has also added much to the appearance of our campus.

In athletics the university has shown marked improvement. Captain Dawson has placed upon the diamond this year the fastest college team in the south. No games in the Virginia association have been lost and in games played outside the state we have won an enviable reputation. On our recent northern trip we lost only to the Navy. The state championship is ours beyond a doubt and we believe the championship of the south will fall to us also. Bro. Le Gore is starring in left field and his excellent stick work

has placed him at the head of the batting list. Bro. Campbell plays an excellent game at second, and Bro. Owen Bagley helps hold down the bench.

Our gym team showed its worth in the recent contest with the V. M. I. in which the latter were defeated by about fifty points. The university track team to be chosen today promises to be the best in recent years. Bros. Le Gore and Bagley will enter for the 100 yard dash; Bro. Le Gore for high jump and Bro. Bagley for hurdles.

In other forms of college activities the chapter has its representatives. Bro. Sloan has recently been elected president of the Washington literary society, also of the Y. M. C. A. for next year.

Extensive preparations are being made for an unusually attractive commencement. One of the most interesting features is to be the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of Prof. Alexander Lochart Nelson's tenure of the chair of mathematics in this institution. We believe his case is without a parallel.

Bishop W. L. Gravatt, Virginia Delta, '87, of Charlestown, W. Va., will preach the baccalaureate sermon this year.

The chapter recently enjoyed a very pleasant visit from Bro. Harry Lee Watson, province president; also from Bros. Blakeney, Brent and Varner of the Randolph-Macon chapter.

T. DWIGHT SLOAN.

Lexington, May 9, 1904.

KENTUCKY EPSILON, KENTUCKY STATE COLLEGE.

It is with deep sorrow that I announce to the fraternity that our Bro. Llewellyn James Pryse, '06, has joined "The Chapter Grand." Bro. Pryse's remains were accompanied to his home in Beattyville, Kentucky, by a committee representing the chapter.

Baseball is now the engrossing topic at Kentucky State, but it is impossible to foretell the outcome of the season's games. So far we have won from Cincinnati University, and lost to Franklin College. We were glad to see five Phis on the Franklin team. Bro. Matthews is our only representative this year. In inter fraternity baseball we won over K Σ by the encouraging score of 34 to 7. K Σ had previously defeated K A and Σ A E. We have a game scheduled with Σ N who has beaten II K A and Σ A E and if we are successful we will obtain the much coveted honor of being champions.

The college gymnasium has recently been the scene of two of the prettiest dances ever given here. The first, was the junior Prom., Bro. Haynes being on the committee and the second was given by the Lamp and Cross society. The decorations were furnished by the fraternities and the press awarded the laurels to the Phi corner. The Lamp and Cross is a senior society composed of ten members. Bro. Shelby is a member and Bro. Trice was recently elected.

In the Patterson literary society oratorical contest, Bro. Haynes represented the chapter and acquitted himself with honor.

Through the efforts of Bros. Gray and Shelby, Lexington is to have an alumni club, and we hope it will be installed in the near future. Bro. Moorman, one of our old charter members is back with us for a short time. He is preparing to take work on the U. S. geological survey.

Lexington, April 20, 1904.

R. H. BARCLAY.

TENNESSEE ALPHA, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY.

The baseball team has come out splendidly this year. The two pitchers are pitching shut-out games, and the team is giving them proper support.

Alabama, Sewanee, Texas, Nashville and the Georgia Techs. have been defeated, and we broke even with Cumberland, losing the first game in the eleventh inning by the score of 4 to 3, and winning on the next day one of the most decisive victories seen on Dudley Field. Bros. Weaver, pitcher, Cornelius, right field, and Hall, substitute, represent the chapter on the team.

Bro. Dobbs represented Vanderbilt in the southern interstate oratorical contest, which was won by Mr. Griffin of Texas. The track team has gone to Texas, and we hope to hear of their victory in a few days.

Let us again urge all alumni knowing of men who intend to come to Vanderbilt next year, and who might be desirable as members of the fraternity, to inform the chapter by letter during the summer.

We will return next year considerably weakened, and it is very important that we initiate several good men next fall.

ADOLPH F. NYE.

Nashville, May 20, 1904.

TENNESSEE BETA, UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Since the writing of our last report Tennessee Beta has initiated one new member, and it is with pride and pleasure that we introduce Bro. H. M. Gass, of Sewanee, Tennessee, to the fraternity. This addition raises the roll of the active members of the chapter to twelve, a comparatively large number for the beginning of the scholastic year.

The annual alumni banquet, postponed as usual on account of the winter vacation, will be given on Saturday, May 14. Vanderbilt University plays Sewanee here on that day and several of the Tennessee Alpha brothers are expected to be with us. They, together with our alumni visitors, will materially add to the life and enjoyment of the feast.

Bro. Brooks is with us temporarily after a few months absence and it is hoped that he will again enter the university.

The majority of the chapters here in Sewanee recently met in an inter-fraternity conference and signed a petition asking the faculty to reduce the time limit for the eligibility of new students to fraternities, from three months to three weeks. This was done because of the disadvantage attending protracted rushing especially during examination periods.

Sewanee, May 9, 1904.

WYATT BROWN.

GAMMA PROVINCE.

ALABAMA BETA, ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

We have read the annual circular letters of sister chapters with great interest, and we are pleased to note the marked success and progress that has attended them during the past year.

Commencement will come on June 5. The week is looked forward to with much interest, in that it will bring many entertainments and social events. Invitations for the commencement hop have been sent out, and a brilliant evening is anticipated. We extend a hearty invitation to all Phis, and hope to have a large number of them with us.

Our eleventh annual field day, April 30, was one of the most pleasant events of the season. The campus presented a picture rarely seen on a southern college field. The bleachers were crowded to overflowing. Grace and beauty, radiant in frills and fluttering ribbons, encouraged the muscular young athletes by their enthusiasm. A large number of prizes were awarded and the contests were unusually close. Bro. Judan won in the quarter mile race.

A large and brilliant audience attended the sophomore declamation in Langdon Hall the evening of April 30. As usual we were represented in the contest; Bros. Judan and Certain both did themselves and Phi Delta Theta great honor, winning second and fourth places.

The proof of the *Glomerata*, our annual, has been received and returned to the publisher. The editors have done some hard work on the book and it promises to be one of the best even gotten out in the south.

Bro. Prince has accepted a position as superintendent of the Electric Light Co., at Chanton, Ala.

We have issued our circular letter which will be forwarded to the different chapters within the next few days.

Our baseball team was not very successful this season, but we think they deserve much credit, for we lost several of our best players early in the season, and at times they played fine ball. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ was represented on the team by Bros. Webb, Bailey, Rencher and Lipscomb. Bro. Rencher has been elected captain of the sophomore baseball team and Bro. Lipscomb manager of the freshman team. The outlook for our football next season is encouraging. Many of last season's team in addition to scrubs and substitutes will return. H. T. Donahue, who was once Yale's quarterback, has been engaged. We wish to return especial thanks to Georgia Alpha for the royal treatment she gave our Phis while they were in Athens on a baseball tour. The boys came home with glowing accounts of the hospitality and enthusiasm of our sister chapter at the University of Georgia. We hope it will be our good fortune to meet these royal Phis again in the near future and be able to return in some measure their kindness.

The spring term found our chapter with a better interest in fraternity matters and a better chapter on the whole. We are pleased that the outlook for the future of the college is improving and at present indications are for good men in the fall. We expect to have our share and choice.

The catalogues for 1903-04 are out, and the new matter will be of great interest to prospective students. New additions of importance have been made in the scientific laboratories, which will greatly facilitate individual investigation in the sciences.

Alabama Beta will lose by graduation this year, Bros. Chambers, McDonnell and Tumley. They will not leave the chapter without the greatest feelings of regret on the part of each remaining member. We all wish them a life of pleasure and prosperity and hope to have them with us often in the future.

We will consider it a favor if any brother knowing of desirable men who are contemplating coming to Auburn next fall would write informing us of the past.

CHARLES G. DILLARD, JR.

Auburn, May 17, 1904.

DELTA PROVINCE.

OHIO ALPHA, MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

The spring term has opened well for Miami University. The enrollment has been large. A bill increasing our appropriations from the state has passed both the senate and house of representatives of the legislature and needs now only the signature of the governor. This increased appropriation, if secured, will rank Miami University second among the institutions of the state with reference to financial support. Plans have already been drawn for the erection of a new dormitory which, we trust, will be completed in the very near future.

The weather during the present spring term has been quite unfavorable for athletics. We very much regret that the baseball game with DePauw was declared off on account of rain. Saturday's game was won by Franklin, after having been played on a wet diamond. It was our first attempt at baseball this year, and our players did not show the training of those of Franklin College, who had already played six games this season. On May 6 occurs the game with Kentucky State College, which we hope will result in a victory for Miami.

We were glad to entertain Saturday, as our guests, eight members of the Indiana Delta chapter. We were glad to know that so large a number of our Franklin brothers held positions on the baseball team of that college and that the captain and manager were $\Phi\Delta\Theta$'s.

In a recent election, Mr. Newman, our pledge, was elected captain of the varsity basketball team for next year. Bro. Zwick, an alumnus of our chapter, visited us Wednesday. Bro. Zwick is at present living in Roanoke, Louisiana, where he and his father are the proprietors of a large rice plantation.

HOWARD S. SMITH.

Oxford, May 5, 1904.

OHIO GAMMA, OHIO UNIVERSITY.

This term will close one of the most prosperous years in the history of Ohio University. In attendance a marked increase has been made over any previous year. By the securing of additional appropriations from the last legislature, the future of old Ohio is exceedingly bright.

Preparations for commencement week are now under way and everything points towards a most successful week.

A very extensive program has been arranged for the centennial celebration which is to be held June 12-18, in connection with the Athens home coming. The commencement exercises proper will be held in Ewing hall on Thursday morning, June 16. Bro. F. E. Coultrap will deliver an oration upon that occasion.

The baseball team has been prevented from filling a number of its engagements by rain, but we have won the two games played by decisive scores. The chapter is represented on the varsity by Bro. McClure, Preston and Watkins, pledged.

An effort has been made by the chapter to arrange for an inter-fraternity baseball schedule, but we have not received any encouragement from the other fraternities as yet in regard to it.

Our annual banquet will be held this year on May 31, at Hotel Berry. We would be pleased to welcome any Phis at that time who will be in Athens.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bro. John D. Earhart, whom we now wish to present to the general fraternity.

We lose by graduation this year but one man, Bro. F. E. Coultrap.

The chapter recently enjoyed a visit from Bro. Don C. Tullis, Ohio Γ , '98, of Cincinnati.

Ohio Gamma was represented at the Delta Province convention held at Delaware, May 13-14, by Bros. Merritt, M. G. Coultrap and Preston.

Our annual letter is out and will be delivered in a few days.

This opportunity is taken to thank all the brothers of Ohio Gamma who read THE SCROLL in this, the last letter of the year, for all kindnesses and favors extended during the year.

JOHN PRESTON.

Athens, May 19, 1904.

OHIO THETA, UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI.

The University of Cincinnati, like many leading universities, studies sociology not only theoretically but practically and for that purpose it maintains a social settlement in the city of Cincinnati entirely under the management of the students and alumni. But as no endowment has been provided, the necessary funds have to be raised by its patrons. And, like in many other institutions, the treasury of the athletic council is always at low ebb and needs occasional springtide. To bring this about and to help the two courses just mentioned the student body has for the last two years held a carnival in the halls and corridors of the main university building. The president and professors have cheerfully given their sanction to this enterprise and have suffered the inconvenience of a week's interruption of work after studies of the last term had commenced. This intermission, however, takes the place of the Easter vacation of other universities. The middle of April witnessed the third annual carnival, which was a success from beginning to end. The festival proper was opened by Howard Ayers, Jr., youngest child and only son of President Ayers, by pressing the button which illuminated the many tastily decorated booths. It closed Saturday, April 16.

The Greek-letter fraternities united and presented pan-hellenic minstrels as in previous years. In this Ohio Theta was well represented, Bro. Alfred Kreimer being interlocutor and Bro. Curtis Williams one of the end men. Bro. William Clark and Bro. Walter Morris also participated. The active and alumni members of the local sophomore fraternity, $\Sigma \Sigma$, presented a burlesque called "Flip-Flap." In this $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ participants were Bro. William H. Fillmore, '03, and Bro. Curtis Williams, '06.

In the general management of the carnival our chapter, by the choice of the respective classes, carried off more than its share of honors. Bro. Oscar B. Reemelin was chairman of the senior-committee, Bro. William Clark was a member of the junior-committee, Bro. Alfred Kreimer was chairman of the sophomore-committee, and Bro. Brown McGill was chairman of the freshman-committee. The press-committee was composed of Bros. Vos, Campbell, Pflueger, Thompson, and Albert Schroetter.

The student body as a whole deserve great praise for their enthusiasm and hard work. One of the creditable features of these carnivals is the promotion of a wholesome varsity spirit.

We regret to announce the loss of Bro. Clarence Bahlmann from the active chapter through graduation. Bro. Bahlmann, having completed his course, was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts, at the last quarterly convocation, March 26. However we take pleasure in announcing that he has accepted a good position as chemist of the American Rolling Mill Co., Mid-dleton, O.

At the beginning of April the board of trustees of the university made an appropriation for the construction of tennis courts on the campus. In consequence a tennis club has been organized, of which Bro. Oscar B. Reemelin is manager. Of Ohio Theta the following are members of this club: Bros. Alfred Kreimer, Wendell Campbell, Karl Vogeler, George Thompson, Brown McGill, Walter Morris, Calvin Vos, and Albert Schroetter. The courts have just been completed and practice has commenced in earnest.

Mr. Anthony Chez has resigned as physical director and coach of the university to accept a similar position at West Virginia University. Mr. Amos P. Foster, of Dartmouth College, has been elected as his successor.

Considering the fact that our baseball team is hardly a year old, it is doing good work this season. The following games have been played: Georgetown College, Georgetown, Ky., 4, U. C., 5; Kentucky University, Lexington, 21, U. C., 8; Kentucky State College, Lexington, 4, U. C., 0;

Berea College, Berea, Ky., 2, U. C., 5; return games thus far, Kentucky State College, 7, U. C., 10; Berea 4, U. C., 16.

On May 4, the German club of the university presented "Die Hochzeitsreise," a comedy in two acts, in a very creditable manner. The fluency and ease with which the actors played their parts has been favorably commented upon by the German press as being above the amateur. In this Ohio Theta was represented by the writer.

Since our last letter in the February SCROLL in which reference was made to the time worn but ever live topic, the presidency of the university, an event has occurred putting a new phase of this struggle before the eyes of the public, in that the board of trustees, at its meeting held on April 18, dramatically brought matters to a sudden climax by summarily relieving Dr. Ayers that very day of his duties as head of the institution. The adherents of both sides received the news with surprise. Considerable comment, both written and oral has been the result, but as the board has seen fit not to publish the reasons for its drastic measures, and as Dr. Ayers has said no more than to demand an investigation of his administration, all that has been written and said in the newspapers and among the students must be classed as hearsay. The element of student sympathizers with the president—and it seems large in numbers—has voiced its sentiments by the passage of resolutions of regret over his departure, containing also words of appreciation of the services he rendered their alma mater. Many of the opposition are known also to have concurred in the kind words therein expressed. With a harmonious inter-working of board and president in sight for the near future, when Dr. Dabney shall have assumed the latter dignity, the public seems inclined to patiently await the full explanation of what seems the closing event of Dr. Ayers stormy career at the University of Cincinnati, rather than to let partisan agitation forthwith carry discussion to the boiling point as has occurred in the past. This temporary acquiescence is probably due largely to the fact that Prof. J. E. Harry, who had been appointed dean of the academic department by President Ayers, was entrusted by the board with the guidance of the university's affairs during the interregnum, he standing, seemingly, on neutral grounds.

EDWIN O. SCHROETTER.

Covington, Ky., May 13, 1904.

MICHIGAN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Our graduating class this year numbers three—Bros. Clarke, Goble and Miner. Bros. Clarke and Miner expect to return next fall and enter the law department. About twenty of the active chapter expect to return and prospects are good for a successful rushing season.

The following men played on class baseball teams: Clarke and Miner, '04; A. E. Kusterer, '05, E; Lane and C. C. Kusterer, '06; Davis, '07; Morrison, '07. Bro. Lane is captain of the 1906 team. The fraternity baseball team is very strong and expects to win its share of games this spring.

Michigan has been very successful in athletics this year. At the University of Pennsylvania track meet eight members of the track team added greatly to the athletic laurels of Michigan by outclassing the east in the 100-yard dash, hurdles, shot puts and winning the four-mile championship relay from Yale, Harvard and Princeton. The baseball team is above the average and had a very successful spring trip, winning six out of seven games, losing only to Wisconsin.

Meehan & Son, the well-known Philadelphia landscape gardeners, have prepared very elaborate plans for beautifying our chapter grounds. These plans are rapidly being carried out.

The new engineering building is completed and has been occupied since April 1. The athletic association has let the contract for a solid brick wall around Ferry field. It is to be nine feet high and twelve inches thick. The field is thirty acres in extent and is one of the longest athletic fields in the country.

The university will have a very extensive exhibit at the St. Louis exposition in the palace of education. Bro. Stein, '01, will be in charge of this exhibit.

EUGENE T. HAMMOND.

Ann Arbor, May 6, 1904.

INDIANA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA.

We now have nineteen men in the active chapter. Bro. Shaw who was graduated last term, having gone to Elkhart to practice law. We take great pleasure in introducing Bro. Harry Hutton, of Hoopeston, Ill., to the fraternity.

Bro. Long, manager of the baseball team, left with the team this morning for St. Louis where two games will be played with Washington University. Our ball team has been very successful this year, having won ten out of eleven college games. We lost to Kentucky State and won from Wabash, De Pauw, Kentucky University, Ohio State, Ohio Wesleyan, Rose Polytechnic Institute, Lake Forest and Butler.

Bros. Matthews and Hornaday represent $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ on the track team. We defeated Notre Dame in a dual meet by a score of 76 to 36 and were beaten by Purdue by a score of 67 to 45.

The schedule of the interfraternity baseball games has been arranged, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ playing ΣN the first game.

Bro. Joe Kenney will leave for Ohio Wesleyan this week where he represents Indiana University in the central oratorical league.

Bros. Kenney and Hutton recently got out a very successful industrial edition of Bloomington in the two local papers.

The chapter is enjoying a visit from Bro. Blanchard, of New Hampshire Alpha, who is the Chicago manager of the Hapgood firm.

Nine active men represented Indiana Alpha at the province convention banquet given by the Indianapolis alumni club. The brothers who were present reported that it far exceeded the $\Phi K\Psi$ national convention which was held there a few days before.

The foundation of the \$100,000 student building is being laid. The building will be equipped by a \$3,000 set of chimes.

The plans for our chapter house are well under way and we feel confident that it will be ready for occupancy next year.

Arrangements are being made to look up prospective men for next year and our prospects for the future are very bright.

Bloomington, May 16, 1904.

WALTER DEAN LEVI.

EPSILON PROVINCE.

INDIANA DELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

On the evening of April 14 occurred the annual chapter banquet, one of the most enjoyable events of the college year. Covers were laid for fifty, Bro. Hall, '04, acting as toastmaster. Bro. Camus Marshall was initiated April 25 and we take great pleasure in introducing him to the general fraternity. Numerous improvements have been made in the chapter halls in the way of papering, painting and recarpeting, putting them in excellent condition.

Field and track athletics have been sacrificed this spring in order to strengthen the baseball team, which is one of the best ever put out by Franklin. So far the team has won games from Hanover, Kentucky State, Miami and Butler. In all eleven games have been played, Franklin winning all. Bro. Webb is captain of the team, Bro. Sellers is manager, and there are five Phis on the team.

During commencement week the new library building will be dedicated, and at that time it is expected that gifts of a science hall and a gymnasium will be announced by some of the wealthy friends of the college. Preparations are well under way for a commencement banquet to be given by the chapter, and every alumnus of Indiana Delta is being urged to be present. Our annual circular letter appears this week. We acknowledge receipt of numerous circular letters.

F. A. WITT.

Franklin, May 13, 1904.

INDIANA THETA, PURDUE UNIVERSITY.

The formal dedication of the Eliza Fowler Hall and organ was observed on May 4 with unusual and extended ceremonies. The entire day was set apart for the services which consisted of an academic and military procession followed by a formal program in the morning, congratulatory addresses from the governor, and prominent college representatives and Purdue alumni in the afternoon, and an organ recital and concert in the evening.

The gala week plans are being pushed more vigorously as the time for the celebration approaches, the arrangements indicating an elaborate and enjoyable occasion. Indiana Theta will give a ball and house party at this time, to which all her alumni and visiting Phis are most cordially invited. The university and student body are sparing no pains to make gala week a successful and perpetual occasion and into the co-operation of the work $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is putting her best efforts.

It is quite generally known among the fraternities here that Alpha Tau Omega has granted a charter to a local organization known as the Debonair club. The society, as yet, holds its charter sub-rosa, the faculty not having consented to recognize them as a fraternity at this time. The advent of $\Lambda T \Omega$ is not looked upon with favor by the older fraternities here, not because of any antipathy toward the fraternity itself but because of their desire to keep the fraternity percentage in the student body at a comparatively small rating. We trust that the recent stampede of fraternities into Purdue will now cease, for we already have quite the best of the national organizations and any others which might enter would only tend to lower the standard of all.

In athletics, Purdue is still keeping up her old record in baseball, a plan well known to all as the "lost cause." Her showing with the other members of the big nine has been discouraging, but a chance for the state championship still remains. In track athletics, she has been more fortunate, winning from Indiana University in a dual meet and losing to Illinois by a few points only. Several new state records have been established this year by her athletes.

At a recent election of the board of editors for the *Exponent*, the college weekly, Bro. Hughes was elected local editor.

Bro. J. A. Miner has recently been granted his P for basketball.

West Lafayette, May 14, 1904.

SAMUEL G. CLIFFORD.

ZETA PROVINCE.

ILLINOIS ALPHA, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

The year just drawing to a close has been a happy one for Illinois Alpha. This year only two of our men, Bros. Harker and Allen, graduate. Bro. Allen will return next year to take up work in the law school and captain our 1904 football team. There is little doubt that all the rest will return. We have just moved into a new house at 2018 Orrington avenue. It is larger and more suitable for our purpose than the one which we have occupied for the last two years.

Bros. Baird and Blu were elected to membership in Deru, the college senior society.

"Trig," the annual production of the freshman class, will be given on the evening of May 28. Bro. Albritton has written the music and Bros. Barker, Conley and Hebblethwaite are on the cast.

Northwestern University had the honor of winning first place in the series of intercollegiate debates. This is the second year that we have held that position. Baseball and track athletes so far have not been very successful. Several of our best track men have been forced to leave the team because of low grades. Our poor showing in baseball may be accounted for by the lack of good material and experienced coaching. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has so far won every game in the interfraternity series. There is no reason why we should not easily win the pennant.

Any mail for Illinois Alpha may be sent in charge of Bro. Robert Baird, 2018 Orrington avenue, Evanston. We would greatly appreciate any information which may be given us concerning good men who are sure to come or who are thinking of coming to Northwestern next fall.

A cordial invitation is extended to all Phis, who may be in this vicinity during the remaining few weeks of college, to drop in and see us.

Evanston, May 14, 1904.

OLIN A. WAKEMAN.

ILLINOIS BETA, THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO.

The University of Chicago building commission has just announced the plans for a material extension of the campus facilities for both women and men, which will entail an expenditure of \$2,000,000. The scheme includes the erection of two solid blocks of buildings, one for each of the sexes on either side of the present central quadrangles. Eighteen structures will occupy the new campus for women, and the architectural arrangement will be similar to that at Oxford, England, in that the small college idea is to be minutely worked out. A clubhouse and a gymnasium, both of which will minister to the comfort and pleasure of the women as do the present Reynolds club and Bartlett gymnasium to the men, are important parts of the new plan. The men's new quadrangle will be practically the same as that erected for women. It is thought that work will begin on the buildings during the coming fall.

The fraternity colony at Chicago was added to on April 15, when ΣN granted a charter to a local petitioning body. ΣN 's chapter, the thirteenth chapter of a national Greek letter society to be installed here, starts life with a roll of twenty-one men. It is rumored that groups of men in the university will soon receive charters of $A T \Omega$ and $K \Sigma$.

This year for the first time in the university's history the fraternities united in a pan-hellenic dance. $\Delta K E$ alone failed to send members to the affair. The grounds for the refusal of this single chapter to join the association were largely based on a rule made by the fraternities forbidding any chapter in

the pan-hellenic association from giving a formal party of its own during the year. The dance as a means of stimulating a healthy inter-fraternity friendship, as a money saver and as a decided social triumph, convinced Chicago Greeks that the association must be made a permanent one. The distinct features of the pan-hellenic was the liberal and artistic decoration of the great main floor of the Frank Dickenson Bartlett gymnasium. The booths of the eleven fraternities were dissimilarly designed and wreathed in individual colors, while the central portions of the building were draped with Chicago pennants and pan-hellenic streamers. Illinois Beta was able to add greatly to the general color scheme with an ingeniously planned booth. Five championship banners, standing for inter-fraternity track and baseball victories, made a striking background for our interior decorations. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ was actively represented on the pan-hellenic association by Bro. Ellsworth, as general chairman, Quantrell as a member of the finance committee, and Hook as a member of the committee on decorations.

Chicago athletic interests have been seriously handicapped since the end of the winter quarter by the abundance of conditions and failure notices by the deans to track and baseball men. Among the track ineligibles are to be counted several certain point winners, in their respective events in any competition which the west affords.

The baseball season has progressed indifferently for the maroon up to date. Bros. Ellsworth, Wyman and Nowels are on the varsity squad. Bro. Dunbar is a promising candidate for the first base position on the freshman nine.

At the recent championship games given under the auspices of the University of Pennsylvania, Bros. Speik and Catlin competed on the team taken East by Director Stagg. Catlin ran second to Shule of Michigan in the high hurdles, and secured third place in the discus. Speik's performance with the classic weight gave him second place. The general track situation at Chicago does not savor of championship for the June conference games. The wholesale distribution of "flunk" notices has reduced the track squad from a team of considerable balance to a limited number of high class contestants.

Illinois Beta expects to be at home in decidedly modern quarters just across the Midway Plaisance from the campus, early in May. A committee has for some time been working ardently with the end in view of securing a larger and more attractive house for the chapter. We extend a general invitation to Phis, hoping that many will visit us. Information in regard to promising men who expect to enter Chicago in the fall will be of material aid to Illinois Beta. Communications in regard to members of the incoming class will be gratefully received.

Ralph Emerson Hill of Leavenworth, Kansas, has been pledged and initiated since our last letter. Illinois Beta is glad to have this opportunity of introducing Bro. Hill to the general fraternity. Bro. Hilpert recently received a scholarship in chemistry from the university for 1904-5. At the annual March election of the Reynolds club Bro. Quantrell was elected treasurer. Bro. R. C. Putnam was lately chosen secretary of the senior class.

Chicago, April 21, 1904.

A. R. NOWELS.

ILLINOIS ZETA, LOMBARD COLLEGE.

Lombard is closing a successful year in all her activities and can look back upon a record of achievements of which she may be proud. In purely academic work, in oratory and in athletics, she has produced results equal to the standard she has attained in past years has furthered her reputation in

this respect and has compelled wider recognition as an institute of the highest standing. The faculty has enforced the demands made upon the student by the raised standard of scholarship and the quality and amount of work accomplished has been correspondingly greater. In oratory, Lombard's representative won third place in the annual contest, held at Wheaton, of the Northern Illinois intercollegiate league, composed of Wheaton, Lake Forest, Northwestern and Lombard colleges. Seven speakers contested. In view of the fact that athletics have absorbed the energies of the student body at Lombard till within the past two years, this showing is gratifying. Increased attention is now being paid the art of public speaking. Lombard will entertain the contest of the league next year.

In the line of athletics also Lombard has placed herself to the fore. It has been a source of great dissatisfaction among the student body that the athletic board put a ban on baseball this spring because this game has never been able to support itself. There is plenty of material in school for a good team. The attitude of the students has been such that in the future all the branches of athletics will be supported in some way. Thanks to the able management of Bro. Scott, the football season placed the association free of debt, whereas before it has labored under an annual debt of several hundred dollars. The school will send a track team to contest in the big meet at Chicago June 4.

The chapter gave its annual dancing party April 15. Several of our alumni and members of Illinois Delta were present. Some time ago we received a proposal for an interfraternity promenade from the local Sigma Nu chapter. We were heartily in favor of the proposition but the other fraternity finally dropped it on account of the expense, after taking the initiative.

Commencement exercises will be held from May 28 to June 2. In view of the fact that our president, Bro. C. Ellwood Nash, '75, will sever his official connection with the institution at that time, he has been asked by the trustees to deliver the commencement address. He will also preach the baccalaureate sermon. Bros. Andreen, Gyars, Hurd, Scott and Jansen are members of the graduating class. We recently initiated and hereby present to the fraternity, Hiram Buck, of LeRoy, and Albert Wertman, Villisca, Ia., giving us a chapter to close the year of thirteen active men and one pledge.

It is expected that the chapter house fund will be materially increased during commencement week. We have now on hand \$1,800 in cash and good notes. We are keeping the agitation alive for a home of our own.

All the fraternities and sororities of the city were recently presented by a clothing firm of the city, with handsome large wall banners done in the fraternity colors. The banners are of felt and of the best designs.

Galesburg, May 14, 1904.

FRANK C. AYARS.

ILLINOIS ETA, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS.

Events have moved rapidly during the last month at Illinois. On May 7, Chicago won the dual track meet at Champaign. The time 9:50 2-5, made in the two mile run by Melin, of Illinois was the feature of the meet. The western intercollegiate record for the two miles is 10. On May 13, Illinois was the dual meet with Purdue, Bro. Rothgeb winning the shot put. Bro. Rothgeb has won his I this year in football, baseball and track. Rodman threw the discus 125 feet, 7 inches, which is about seven feet more than the intercollegiate record. The varsity baseball team this year is again playing championship ball. The only game lost so far was to Wisconsin. The second game scheduled with Wisconsin was called off on account of rain but

arrangements will probably be made for another game. The annual interscholastic meet took place on Saturday morning, May 14. Seventy high schools were entered and crowds of high school people were here during Friday and Saturday. On May 26, the university regiment of ten companies will go to St. Louis to take part in the ceremonies on Illinois day. The trip will extend over three days.

The minstrel show given by $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ on April 15 was a success and seemed to take well with the audience. Bro. Reynolds was taken with scarlet fever on April 17 and was taken to the hospital as soon as possible. In a week he had recovered sufficiently to go home. On May 12 he returned and resumed his studies. Bros. Brearley and Williams have left for Montana where they expect to spend the summer on a ranch. Bros. Lindgren and Hazelwood made the chapter a visit during the interscholastic meet.

It looks now as though the new chapter house which Illinois Eta has been planning to build upon her two lots will be started within a short time. Arrangements have been made for a \$12,000 loan and the plans are being prepared in Chicago. With a new chapter house and eighteen men back next year Illinois Eta will start the new year with bright prospects.

Champaign, May 15, 1904.

F. W. CUTLER.

WISCONSIN ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Since the combining of the various general courses of the university last fall, into the college of letters and science, several important changes have been made. The school of commerce has until recently remained a separate school, with the degree of B. C. S., but this too is now included in the college of letters and science, and graduates will receive the A. B. degree as in the other courses.

The commerce department has recently issued a statement of a new course in business administration, to be given by Prof. D. Earle Burchell, formerly director of the school of commerce in the Agricultural College of Utah. Mr. Burgess has been spending the past year in New York City in special preparation for this work, and expects to be in Madison for a short time in the early part of vacation. He will take up his permanent residence here at the beginning of the next academic year. The course, as conducted by him, will take the place of the courses in accounting and auditing and business organization and management which have been given in previous years. It is to extend from the beginning of the sophomore year to the end of the senior year, and is designed not only to give thorough instruction in book-keeping, accounting and auditing, and the various other branches of business administration, but also to test the student's ability to perform the various duties for which he is being trained. It will, therefore, be largely a laboratory and practice course in which theoretical and practical work will be combined. The work in the sophomore year will be concerned chiefly with business forms and correspondence, book-keeping and clerical duties; in the junior year with the study of legal forms, credit instruments, funding operations, accounting and executive duties; and in the senior year with the work of supervision and auditing, especially in connection with passenger transportation, light and power companies, savings institutions, insurance, jobbing, the commission business, brokerage, importing and exporting.

Wisconsin has a very good record for her baseball season this spring, and at present has a percentage of about 857. Thirty-five men reported for spring football practice this week and this is but part of the material which there is in the school, since baseball, track and crew are keeping away many who would otherwise turn out. The crew of men have been working

hard this spring, but have been greatly handicapped by the late season, together with the rough weather since the ice went out, and by several accidents to the coaching launch, the John Dea, which have kept her out of service, a greater part of the time.

Wisconsin has now two more fraternities, both of which have but recently been added to the list. They are, the local musical sorority of Alpha Chi Omega, and the honorary law fraternity, Phi Alpha Delta.

During the past week, the province convention of Sigma Nu and the national convention of Psi Upsilon have been held in this city, and the delegates in each case were royally entertained by the local chapters.

Wisconsin Alpha is looking forward to a successful rushing season during the interscholastic athletic meet this spring as this comes at the beginning of jubilee week and should be much more largely attended than ordinarily. Our list of pledged men has increased constantly during the past year and we hope to begin the year 1904-5 with a chapter of good size. The members who will be graduated this year are Bros. J. B. Blake, H. G. Winslow, K. B. Tanner, college of letters and science, '04; and Bro. D. S. Law, college of letters and science, '04, and college of law, '06.

Madison, May 15, 1904.

WALTER I. SLEEP.

MISSOURI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI.

The University of Missouri is rapidly realizing the most sanguine prospects of former years. Even the most pessimistic have ceased their croaking. The university is building up in every line. The equipment is one of the best in the central west; but the thing that looks the most encouraging is the development of a strong college spirit.

There have been several innovations of importance in the last few months. One is the establishment of a teachers' college, with Dr. A. Ross Hill as dean of the college. Dr. Hill is a Stanford man and before coming here occupied the chair of pedagogy at the University of Nebraska. President McLain of the University of Iowa said that he regarded him as the best available man for the position in the country. Under him the university expects and doubtless will realize great things from this department.

The development of the law department is also very encouraging. The attendance at present surpasses that of last year by over fifty per cent., giving us an enrollment of over two hundred. The faculty at present consists of five regular lecturers and a number of non-resident lecturers, but owing to the increasing attendance another regular professor will be added next year.

The Y. M. C. A. of the university held a meeting in the auditorium a few days ago and launched their building scheme. Their intention is to build a \$50,000 building in the next two years. Quite a little money was subscribed at this meeting by the student body.

Another building which has recently been finished and which adds greatly to the life of the faculty is the University Club. It is a comfortable hangout for the profs. and a credit to the university.

A rather unique enterprise which has recently been undertaken here is the publication of a student agricultural paper, edited by the students of the agricultural department. It is the only paper of its kind published by students in the United States.

The arrangements for the senior ball and junior prom. are now under way. Bro. Cliver is a member of the senior committee and Bro. Houck occupies a similar position on that of the junior Prom.

The military department is making an especially good showing this year, as it expects to participate in drill at the World's Fair this spring. ΦΔΘ

is represented by Capt. Jose, Sergt. Logan, Bugler Switzler and Private Brandom.

Track athletics have been a little slow owing to the late arrival of Coach McClain and the inclemency of the weather necessitating all work being done indoors, notwithstanding Missouri defeated Kansas in the indoor meet at Kansas City on March 19.

The baseball outlook is by far the highest of years, seven of last year's team being back. These, with the new material, which seems unusually good, insures us in our expectation of a good team. R. S. Hamilton, the crack pitcher of 1901, is back in school and apparently in his old time form.

Another move in the baseball world is the organization of the pan-hellenic baseball league composed of the eight fraternities in the university. We will play for a silver loving cup which the winner shall hold until won by some other team in some succeeding year.

Tennis also comes in for its share of the athletic boom. Bro. Hetherington, the head of athletics here, is going to have twenty new courts made this spring. These together with the old ones should furnish ample facilities for the tennis playing public.

The Quadrangle club presented its second play on March 10. It was quite a success. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ was represented by Bros. Ridge and McBaine.

Since our last letter we have initiated Bros. Robert Bomham and Wilson Switzler. It is with no small degree of pleasure that we give them this introduction to their brother Phis. Both are cousins of Bro. Royal H. Switzler, '98, former editor of THE SCROLL and Historian of the General Council.

Bros. Lamkin, province president, and R. H. Switzler paid the chapter a short visit last month. We extend a cordial invitation to all visiting Phis.

Columbia, March 26, 1904.

ELY RYLEY.

MISSOURI GAMMA, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

Everything looks very bright for Missouri Gamma for next year. We will lose no men through graduation, but there is a possibility of their going to different colleges next fall. We already have under consideration some men who expect to enter here at the beginning of next term and will probably hold an initiation at one of our first meetings in the autumn.

Washington University expects to move into its new buildings, now occupied by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, during the next Christmas vacation. On this account everything is somewhat unsettled and Missouri Gamma has not been able to do anything towards getting a permanent home. However, we expect to have a house very shortly after we move to the new site.

St. Louis, May 22, 1904.

G. L. ALLEN, JR.

KANSAS ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

A very prosperous year is about to close for Kansas Alpha. It has seen us established in one of the most desirable chapter houses in Lawrence, has favored us exceptionally in rushing and has allotted us more than our usual share of honors. We lose but two men by graduation this spring and expect to return fifteen strong in the fall.

At present the baseball team is practicing hard for the inter-fraternity games, of which our first is with the Sigma Chis on May 9. In case we win we would still have to defeat the Betas before playing the Phi Psis for the championship cup.

Bro. Wilbur C. Abbott, of the faculty, who has helped to build three houses for the fraternity, has added his support to our own chapter house

movement and we shall soon be heard from in the direction of owning our own home. Phi Gamma Delta is at present the only chapter here owning her house, although several others like ourselves have plans on foot.

We issued our annual chapter letter on May 1.

Lawrence, May 1, 1904.

JOHN L. STARKIE.

NEBRASKA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA.

Several of the fraternities around school have started to pledge men in the high school. We have to keep up our record of getting the town men so we stepped in and skinned the pan. We have the following pledges to introduce: George D. Lance, Houtz Gillilian, Earl Foster and Hugo Birkner.

The university has taken a large growth this year not only in membership but in the building line. The state farm has had four new buildings with several thousands expended on new equipments, on the campus at the present time a physics building is under construction, the contract for the new administration building has been let and the chemical department has been closed up so that work on remodeling the building can be started at once.

Nebraska Alpha expects to have the strongest chapter she has ever had. We only have three seniors and one of these is coming back and take law. In college honors we have more than held our own in every way except in athletics; we have ten men in the military department ranking from private to major; out of eight university dances we have had control of six; in class politics we have vice-president of the sophomore class.

Our baseball team has a very good record against last year when a fraternity had seven men out of the nine. The track team is in training all the time and of it we know nothing as yet but the number of old men that are out. We are sure of holding our own.

Our debating team has just won from Kansas although she is to have credit for excellent work. Our team has won every debate for the last two years. The interfraternity baseball season is just about closed. B Θ II and Δ T Δ stand at the head with 1000 per cent. We come next with 500 per cent. and the rest are all below this mark.

Big preparations are being made for the barbecue which is to be held May 17. The first one which was held last year was such a grand success that it is to be an annual affair.

Lincoln, May 8, 1904.

CHARLES STUART.

COLORADO ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

Colorado Alpha has just completed a very prosperous and pleasant year and expects the next to be even more so. But one man is lost by graduation and five men have already been pledged for next year.

The university has been advertised very extensively throughout the state this year and a big increase in the enrollment is expected in the fall. An interscholastic field meet was held on the university athletic field on May 14, in which twenty-four high schools competed and several state records were broken.

On May 7 a state inter-collegiate field meet was held at Colorado Springs in which the university won 59 out of 120 points. A dual meet with the University of Nebraska was held at Boulder, May 11, resulting in favor of Colorado by 75 points to the visitors 34.

The result of the annual debate with the University of Kansas was a unanimous decision in favor of Colorado.

Boulder, May 16, 1904.

LOUIS G. KELLER.

ETA PROVINCE.

MISSISSIPPI ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI.

It is with much regret, and at the same time we must say with some degree of pleasure that Mississippi Alpha writes this, her last chapter letter of this session.

We regret that this is the last letter, for we must mention for the last time as *active* members of our chapter the names of some of our brothers; but while we hate to see them go out from our active chapter, we must rejoice with them, that they will soon be no longer school boys, but men of the world. We will lose by graduation this year, Bros. W. A. Henry and J. A. Leathers in the law department, and Bro. Bem Price in the engineering department.

The preliminary contest for places, for the freshman declamatory speakers from the Hermean and Phi Sigma literary societies were held last Saturday night. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ was represented by Bros. Coleman and Bray from Hermean, and Bro. Witty from Phi Sigma, all of whom were chosen to speak at commencement for the medals.

Field day came off on May 3, and with the result, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is very well satisfied. The contests opened up with the 120 yard hurdle race, with Bro. Kimbrough first, and Bro. J. S. Verger second. The next event was the standing broad jump, won by Bro. Kimbrough. Next came the 220 yard dash with Bro. Verger to claim first place. This was followed by the running high jump, with Bro. Hawze on top, breaking the record here, and Bro. Kimbrough next. Then the 100 yard dash, won by Mitchell (non-frat.). This was followed by the hammer throw, Bro. Hawze taking the lead by a great distance. Then the hop, step and jump, Bro. Kimbrough first, Bro. Hawze second. Then the shot put, Bro. Kimbrough first, and Bro. Hawze second. This was followed by the half mile run, in which Bro. Verger was easily the winner. Then Bro. Hawze rises above everybody else in the pole vault, breaking the record held here, with Bro. Kimbrough second. After this Bro. Verger took the mile run. Then came the last event, the running broad jump, with Bro. Kimbrough first and Bro. Hawze second, after which we repaired to the "Gym."

The baseball team leaves tonight for Columbus, Mississippi, where it will play a series of three games with Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical college. $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is represented by Bro. Frank Fair, who holds down first base in a most creditable manner.

We have received visits from Bro. Boyd, Auburn, who played on the Memphis baseball team, Bro. Hinkle, Lafayette, '97, Bro. Venable, '99, who stood the examination for the Cecil Rhodes scholarship, Bro. Firman Smith, '82, and from Bro. G. L. Ray, our province president, since our last letter.

We hope for the best success for our outgoing brothers, and hope that all undergraduates will have a pleasant vacation, see the World's Fair and be back ready for work next session.

University, May 4, 1904.

O. L. KIMBROUGH.

THETA PROVINCE.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

The final examinations have come and gone and California Alpha is preparing to celebrate the close of a very successful and happy year. The celebration will consist of the usual reception on class day. The custom of receiving on class day by the different fraternities is so old that class day

wouldn't be the same without it. Among 25 fraternities, Phi Delta Theta is nearly always conceded the honors, not only in the beauty of the decorations but in the more important feature of making the guests feel at home.

The chapter loses three men by graduation this year, Bros. Lombardi, Hendricks and Walton.

Although we took in only two freshmen last August, next fall's quota promises to be considerably larger, as we have already gotten a very good start.

This year the fellows have mixed actively in college affairs. Bro. Hendricks was elected a member of Skull and Keys, and has been president of the senior class this spring. He also took a prominent part in the Skull and Keys play and the senior extravaganza. Bro. Walton was president of the Associated Electrical and Mechanical Engineers for the spring term, and on the staff of the *Journal of Technology*. Bro. Markwart who graduated last Christmas, has been elected to ΣE . Bros. Jewett and Titus have been appointed to the staff of the 1906 *Blue and Gold*, and Bro. Jewett has been made exchange editor of the *Daily Californian*. Bro. Variel made his C again this year as a member of the tennis team which defeated Stanford this year in the doubles. Bro. Bingham ran the hundred yards against Stanford this year, and will probably make his C next spring. Bro. Don Hickey, who won second place in the high-jump last year, was prevented from going into the meet by a strained leg, but will be all right by the next meet. In military, Phi Delta Theta won her share of the honors: Bro. Powell was made captain; Bros. Louis and Don Hickey were made regimental sergeant-majors, Bro. Stuart batallion sergeant-major and Bro. Jewett second sergeant.

This year sees the growth of better feeling between the fraternities, and this friendly spirit has been fostered by the organization of an interfraternity baseball league this spring.

W. T. HALE.

Berkeley, May 15, 1904.

WASHINGTON ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON.

The university track team and crew returned from California May 8, where they both met defeat at the hands of Berkeley. We did not expect to win in track and were much gratified at the score, 46-72.

The result of the rowing race was not so satisfactory. Berkeley was unable to obtain a shell and the race was rowed in barges to which our crew were unaccustomed. Berkeley won by several lengths.

The meet with U. of C. has opened up inter-collegiate relation with the southern institutions and we hope it is only the first of annual contests between the three big universities of the Pacific Coast.

Bro. Twitchell is a member of the university track team. The University of Oregon meets us on May 21. The varsity baseball team is now playing a schedule of games in eastern Washington and Idaho. Bros. Sieler, Hoover and Grinsted, represent $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ on the team.

The first annual observance of "campus day" occurred on May 6, when 400 students worked all day under organized supervision in cleaning up and beautifying our campus. The inauguration of this day will do much toward increasing the attractiveness and beauty of one of the finest college campuses in the world.

Junior day will be celebrated May 13 by aquatics in the forenoon and an inter-class field meet in the afternoon. Bro. McGinn, editor of the junior annual hopes to have the publication out of press on that date.

Commencement is set for June 15th.

Seattle, May 10, 1904.

DALBERT E. TWITCHELL.

ALUMNI CLUBS.

VERMONT ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT.

It gives me pleasure to report through the medium of THE SCROLL that on March 15, the Burlington alumni club of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ was organized with fifteen charter members. The alumni met for organization at the chapter house of the active chapter of the University of Vermont, and at the close of the regular Alumni Day exercises, proceeded to the election of officers. The officers elected were

President, Frank O. Sinclair, Vermont, '82; secretary, George M. Sabin, Vermont, '95; treasurer, Roy L. Patrick, Vermont, '98; reporter, Cassius R. Peck, Vermont, '02.

The club met again at the home of the active chapter on March 24 for further organization. Thirty new members were voted in, raising the membership to forty-five, and other business of organization transacted.

It is the purpose of the club to meet socially at the chapter house several times in each year and get acquainted with each other and the members of the active chapter. It is hoped that through this organization we may be better able to help each other and lend more effectual assistance to the local chapter.

May 3, 1904.

CASSIUS R. PECK.

BOSTON.

On Tuesday evening, March 15, the loyal Phis of the Boston alumni club assembled for their annual reunion and banquet. Through the courtesy of some of the members of the Exchange club, one of the best known social organizations in Boston, the Phis had been accorded the freedom of their palatial apartments, and it was here that the Boston members of the fraternity, with their brothers from Harvard and other New England colleges, gathered to observe Alumni Day in a most enthusiastic manner. It was one of the most enjoyable reunions in the history of the club, and in the speeches, songs and social intercourse the true fraternal spirit was manifested to a greater degree than in former years. The cause of this may be justly attributed to the beneficial influence upon the members of the social hour spent at lunch each Saturday at Marston's restaurant. These weekly meetings have been well attended during the winter, and from them has come not only more intimate acquaintance one with another, but also an increased bond of fellowship and loyalty to each other and to the principles of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$.

Preceding the banquet the annual business meeting was held, at which the vice president, Brother E. L. Shinn, presided. Bro. C. T. Switzer, president of the club, being detained at home by illness, much to the regret of the members. The principal business was the election of officers for the year 1904-'05, which resulted in the choice of the following: President, E. M. Brooks, Amherst, '99; vice president, G. G. Bass, Brown, 1900; secretary, E. L. Shinn, Lombard, '96; reporter, L. S. Doten, Vermont, '97; historian, A. H. Brainard, Colby, '88; warden, L. C. Renfro, Vanderbilt, '94.

The business disposed of, the company at once repaired to the spacious banquet hall, where a most delectable banquet was spread. The tables were attractively decorated with a profusion of the "unrivaled white carnation, the loveliest flower that grows." Mirth and good cheer sat at the board and the enjoyment of the members was equaled only by the heartiness with which they sang the fraternity songs. A quartette composed of Bros. Frank Conant, Henry E. Holbrook, Edwin M. Brooks and Sewall R. Payson with J. C. Manning as pianist rendered several delightful musical selections during the evening.

The post-prandial exercises were inaugurated by the introduction of Bro. R. A. Stewart, Vermont, '93, as toastmaster, who presided over this portion of the exercises with his accustomed grace. The toasts were as follows: "Once a Phi Always a Phi," Arthur M. McCrillis, Brown, '97; "Funston as I Knew Him," J. C. Manning, Kansas, '89; "The Citadel of Phi Delta Theta," C. M. Owen, Dartmouth, '01; "Fraternity, Paternity, Eternity," C. A. Andrews, Amherst, '95; "Phi Fellowship," Rev. Woodman Bradbury, Colby, '93; all were given in a very pleasing manner and were greatly enjoyed by the brothers present. The committee had expected, both last year and this, that Brother Lee Fairchild, Lombard, '86, would be present and respond to the toast "Apropos," but for some unexplained reason he failed to appear, a fact which was deeply regretted.

When the last toast had been given, the last college yells sounded and the last song sung, the brothers still lingered for a social chat, and when they finally separated it was with a feeling of satisfaction that the year had been so successful, and that there would be a firmer friendship and a deeper loyalty in the days to come.

April 21, 1904.

LEONARD S. DOTEN.

NEW YORK.

Statistics prepared by the $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ club of New York City show a gross attendance of ninety-five Phis at the annual Alumni Day banquet held at the Hotel Manhattan on March 14 last. The men came from all quarters of the country from Maine to Washington and from Michigan to Mississippi. Every province of the fraternity was represented by at least two men and there were present graduates from thirty-seven different chapters. The provinces were represented as follows: Alpha, 57; Delta, 12; Zeta, 10; Epsilon, 5; Beta, 4; Gamma, Eta and Theta, two each. Following is the attendance from the various chapters: Columbia, 25; Cornell, 7; College of the City of New York, 6; Vermont and Williams, four each; Dartmouth and Vanderbilt, three each; Washington, Illinois, Illinois Wesleyan, Hanover, Buchtel, Ohio State, Miami, Brown, Amherst, Maine, Mississippi and Washington State, two each and one each from Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Syracuse, Allegheny, Centre, Emory, Alabama, Ohio, Ohio Wesleyan, Wooster, Michigan, Lansing, Hillsdale, Wabash, Butler and DePauw.

The list of those who were at the dinner is appended:

Alpha Province—Maine, Richard Alston Metcalf, '86, and David Jacques Gallert, '93; Dartmouth, Herbert Jackson Hapgood, '96, William James Witte, '98, and Mark Bruce Wiley, '03; Vermont, Dr. George Watson Roberts, '87, Dr. Marshall Avery Howe, '90, Joel Allen, '92, and Frederick Fuller Lincoln, '97; Williams, Prof. Charles Thaddeus Terry, '89, William Rowe Conklin, '00, Joseph Meeker Ross, '01, and William Cary Harris, '06; Amherst, Archibald Sharp, '99, and Arthur Rockwell Couch, '01; Brown, Jesse George Melendy, '01, and Lorraine Terry Petk, '02; Cornell, Dudley Returned Horton, '75, Edmund Le Breton Gardiner, '75, Dio Lewis Holbrook, '92, Thomas Stevens Clark, '94, William Waldo Pellet, '01, Carr Lane Glasgow, '02, and Clarence Blyer Kugler, Jr., '03; C. C. N. Y., Judge Julius Marshall Mayer, '84, Francis Asbury Winslow, '87, District Attorney of Yonkers, Lewis Evans Aloysius Drummond, '88, Dr. Jeremiah Thomas Simonson, '00, Edward William Libaire, '92, and Alderman Franklin Backus Ware, '93; Columbia, Thomas Henry Baskerville, '86, Judge Julius Marshall Mayer, '86, Francis Asbury Winslow, '89, Frederick Albert Southworth, '03, Prof. Charles Thaddeus Terry, '93, Edward William Libaire, '94, Franklin Backus Ware, '94, Harry Mason Hewitt, '96, Frederick George Haldy, '97, Henry William Egner, Jr., '98, Oscar Weeks

Ehrhorn, '98, Bernard Morris Lee Ernst, '99, Otto Hellmuth Hinck, '99, Stallo Vinton, '00, George Chew Atkins, '02, Herman Simon Rieder, '02, Jean Cook Caldwell, '03, Eugene Ashley, '04 Luis Alberto Carbo, '04, Edwin Hoyt Updike, '04, Max Hardman, '05, Franklin Kennedy Sprague, '05, John Luneau Tonnele, Jr., '05, James Garrett Wallace, Jr., '05, and Ferris Sands Hetherington, '07; Syracuse, Edward Dunbar Rich, '92; Allegheny, Rev. Robert Wallace Elliott, '90.

Beta Province—Centre, William Raymond Worrall, '79; Vanderbilt, Fennell Parrish Turner, '91, Dr. Edward Moore Rankin, '96, and Lamar Hardy, '00.

Gamma Province—Emory, Judge William Albert Keener, '74; Alabama, James Sydney Stillman, '96.

Delta Province—Miami, Walter Conger Harris, '91, and Dr. Stanley Death Giffen, '96; Ohio Wesleyan, Dr. Stanley Death Giffen, '98; Ohio, John Johnson Welch, '83; Wooster, Charles Kynett Carpenter, '89; Ohio State, Charles Albert Winter, '87, and Charles Grosvenor Bond, '99; Bucktel, John Johnson Welch, '85, and Frederick George Haldy, '95; Michigan, Roy Mitchell Hardy, '98; Lansing, Joseph Harlan Freeman, '90; Hillsdale, William Oscar Robinson, '88.

Epsilon Province—Wabash, Frank Porter McNutt, '91; Butler Stallo Vinton, '97; Hanover, Harry Aaron Marks, '92, and Carlton Armstrong Swope, '85; De Pauw, Charles Hedding Rice, '87.

Zeta Province—Illinois Wesleyan, Rev. Dr. William Montgomerie Carr, '84, and Manley Earle Chester, '97; Illinois, Manley Earle Chester, '97, and Conrad Frederick Kruse, '97; Wisconsin, John William Blakey, '85; Minnesota, Maynard Cyrus Perkins, '96; Iowa, Edward Warren Hearne, '94; Washington, Carr Lane Glasgow, '02, and Percy Albert Boeck, '06; Nebraska, Philip Winfred Russell, '97.

Eta Province—Mississippi, William Henry Lee, '91, and Lamar Hardy, '98.

Theta Province—Washington State, Daniel Appleton Millett, '01, and Max Hardman, '02.

Guest—Prof. George Washington Kirchwey, Dean of the Columbia University Law School.
B. M. I. ERNST.

During recent years the vigorous extension of a large number of fraternities, coupled as it has been with the building of chapter-houses and development of interior equipment and internal methods, has caused a re-adjustment of the real standing of the various fraternities, so that today the accepted ranking of a decade ago no longer holds true. There has been a general awakening to these facts, and as a result, there has arisen in almost every fraternity a group of strong extension advocates.—*Record of Σ A E.*

We understood that anti-fraternity laws were repealed at Virginia Military Institute two years ago. The *Delta* of Σ N says K A and Σ A E have chapters there, but they are "partly *sub rosa*, since the men are not permitted to display badges, yet have permission to hold chapter meetings and initiate members."

PERSONAL.

Knox—J. S. Phillips, '82, is editor of *McClure's Magazine*.

Williams—Wm. H. Stanley, '02, is located at Spokane, Wash.

Nebraska—L. B. Pilsbury, '96, is practicing medicine in Lincoln.

Dickinson—W. M. Stine, '86, is professor of engineering at Swarthmore.

Knox—C. W. Lay, '87, is secretary of Yankton College, Yankton, S. D.

Colby—E. W. Frentz, '86 is on the staff of the *Youth's Companion*, Boston.

Cornell—C. B. Mason, '94, is practicing law at 30 Genesee street, Utica, N. Y.

Brown—A. L. Eno, '95, is professor of English at the University of Texas.

Dickinson—V. P. Northrup, '92, has been appointed a chaplain in the navy.

Vermont—C. A. Kern, '01, is instructor in chemistry in the University of Vermont.

Knox—C. C. McClaughtry, '85, is deputy warden of the U. S. prison at Atlanta, Ga.

Michigan—P. G. Sjoblom, '89, was assistant secretary of State of Minnesota, 1901-03.

Dickinson—Rev. L. P. Powell, '90, is rector of St. John's church, Northampton, Mass.

Northwestern—E. J. Murphy, '03, has been elected justice of the peace in Evanston, Ill.

Minnesota—W. J. Donahorner, '89, was in April appointed attorney-general of Minnesota.

Union—H. A. Barrett, 1901, is with the Commercial Exchange Bank, New York City.

Vermont—S. Hollister Jackson, '98, formerly of Barre, has opened a law office in Burlington.

Union—E. G. Blessing, '94, is with the firm of Eldredge & Co., stockbrokers, Albany, N. Y.

Nebraska—H. J. Sowles, '03, is receiving teller in the German National Bank, St. Joseph, Mo.

Union—H. De W. Griswold, '85, is professor of philosophy at Forman Christian College, Lahore, India.

Knox—W. H. Whitney, '84, is the Boston manager of the Bankers' Life Insurance Company of New York.

Vanderbilt—R. H. Burney, '78, of Kerrville, has been appointed judge of the 38th judicial district of Texas.

Union—H. M. West, '96, is now connected with the state architects' office, at Albany and may be addressed at 39 Jay street.

Richmond—G. G. Valentine, '82, and Miss Elise Bragg were married in St. Paul's Episcopal church, Richmond, Va., April 5.

Virginia—W. S. Bryan, '80, is attorney-general of Maryland, not lieutenant-governor, as announced in the February SCROLL.

Dickinson—J. Banks Kurtz, '93, has been nominated for district attorney of Blair County, Pa. This is equivalent to election.

Emory—Jesse M. Wood, '00, is a member of the firm of Jones & Wood, attorneys-at-law, Century Building, Atlanta, Ga.

Knox and Missouri—G. O. DeBar, M. D., '72, is practicing his profession at Eugene, Or., the site of the University of Oregon.

Union—C. W. Blessing, '88, is principal of one of the grammar schools in Albany, N. Y. He resides at 157 Hamilton street.

Wisconsin—John Harwood Bacon, '97, is the author of "The Pursuit of Phyllis," a novel published by Henry Holt & Co., New York.

Vanderbilt—W. S. Fitzgerald, '97, will open the Fitzgerald School, a boarding preparatory school for boys at Trenton, Tenn., September 1.

Brown—Arthur M. McCrillis, Historian of the General Council, was recently elected president of the Rhode Island Baptist Social Union.

Nebraska—Willis Sweet, '79, former member of congress from Idaho, is attorney general of Porto Rico. His home in this country is at Moscow, Id.

Vermont—Rev. E. M. Wilbur, '86, formerly pastor of the Unitarian church, Meadville, Pa., has been elected dean of the new Unitarian divinity school at Oakland, Cal.

Washington—C. A. Bohn, '93, has moved from San Louis Potosi, and is now night superintendent of the Monterey plant of the American Smelting and Refining Co., Monterey, Mexico.

Virginia—Dr. H. L. Smith, '87, president of Davidson College, N. C., delivered the address to the graduating class of the University College of Medicine, Richmond, Va., May 12.

Indianapolis—H. U. Brown, '80, P. G. C., 1882-86, manager of the Indianapolis *News*, and C. L. Goodwin, lumber manufacturer at Dunlo, Pa., have recently returned from a trip to Cuba.

Richmond—Rev. W. L. Gravatt, '87, is bishop coadjutor of the Protestant Episcopal church in West Virginia. He will preach the baccalaureate sermon at Washington and Lee University this month.

Knox—A. A. Green, '03, is the author of two books published in 1903—"Making of a Steam Engine," and "My Painted Tree and Other Poems," both illustrated from photographs taken by himself.

Vermont—C. L. Ortan, '92, has resigned his position as principal of the Essex Classical Institution, to accept an appointment as collector of customs for Vermont. He is stationed at West Berkshire.

Knox—Rev. E. P. Little, '75, is rector of Trinity church, Hannibal, Mo.—Rev. A. W. Little, '77, is rector of St. Mark's church, Evanston, Ill.—Rev. W. N. Wyckoff, '88, is rector of Trinity church, Lincoln, Neb.

DePauw and Roanoke—Rev. D. B. Floyd, '69, is in charge of the exegesis of obscure and difficult passages of Scripture for the Sunday school literature of the Evangelical Lutheran church. He is also pastor of the church at Funkstown, Md.

Westminster—Missouri Beta has three college presidents—Dr. G. F. Ayer, '87, president of Lindenwood College for Women, St. Charles, Mo.; Dr. M. H. Reaser, '87, president of Wilson College for Women, Chambersburg, Pa., and Dr. F. W. Hinett, '90, president of Central University, Danville, Ky.

Lansing—Ray Stannard Baker, '89, writes from his home at Lansing, Mich., that his work on "Great Labor Conflicts" has been interrupted by a broken leg. His article in the May *McClure* on "The Reign of Lawlessness: Anarchy and Despotism in Colorado," is prefaced by a letter to him from President Roosevelt, commenting on a former article in this series.

Emory—In the service of the Coca Cola Co. are Dr. W. Ambrose Bradley, '98, special representative for western Pennsylvania, Jackson Building, Pittsburg; J. J. Willard, of Philadelphia, who is associated with the management of the Philadelphia laboratory,, and James C. Newsome, Jr., *Georgia*, '00, of New York, who is special representative for Buffalo and Albany.

Wooster—The portrait of Rev. Samuel S. Palmer, D. D., '77, appears on the cover of the Chicago *Interior* of May 5, which is the leading Presbyterian weekly in the United States. He is pastor of Broad street church, Columbus, which has over 900 members, and is the largest Presbyterian church in the capital city of Ohio. He is also president of the board of trustees of the University of Wooster.

Northwestern—Frank W. Phelps and Wallace S. Grayston, who will graduate from Northwestern Medical School this month were among the five members of the graduating class to receive appointments as internes in the Cook County Hospital. This is the highest honor open to graduates from the medical colleges. Bro. Wm. G. Alexander, Indiana Zeta, '93, received an appointment to the Wesley Hospital.

Sewance—The marriage of Miss Harriet Osgood of Columbus, Ohio, and Rev. Herbert A. Spears, rector of Trinity church, Danville, Ky., took place Tuesday morning, April

12, 1904, in St. Paul's Episcopal church, Columbus. The ceremony was performed by Bishop Burton, of Lexington, Ky., assisted by Rev. John Hewitt, pastor of St. Paul's. The wedding was an unostentatious one and was witnessed only by the family. Bro. Spears and his bride took a short wedding trip, after which they went to his charge at Danville. He was formerly assistant rector of Trinity church in Columbus, and it was in connection with his work there that he met Miss Osgood. She only recently returned from the Philippines, where she spent 16 months in settlement work.

S. P. Gilbert, *Vanderbilt*, '83, of Columbus, Ga., has been re-nominated solicitor general for four years, which will make sixteen years of continuous service in that office. There are probably several other members of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ who are solicitor generals in Georgia. One of them is F. A. Hooper, *Mercer*, '85, who has recently been re-nominated.

BUTLER PHIS TO THE FORE.

As announced in the February SCROLL, Hugh Th. Miller, Indianapolis, '88, editor of this magazine, 1896-1902, was a candidate for the Republican nomination for lieutenant-governor of Indiana. After a short but brilliant canvass, he was nominated by the Republican state convention, April 27. On the third ballot, one of his competitors moved to make his nomination unanimous, and the other, seconding the motion, said: "There has been no more gentlemanly, clean, manly campaign than that of Hugh Th. Miller."

Bro. Miller served as a member of the last legislature, and made a record which attracted wide attention and earned much favorable comment. Until he became a candidate for the nomination for lieutenant-governor, less than three months before the convention, he had never participated in state politics, and his success in capturing the nomination is certainly remarkable. In a canvass which he made through several counties, he displayed many of the qualities of a veteran politician, showed that he was "a good mixer," and understood how to make new friends and hold them.

After the convention, United States Senator Fairbanks said: "Mr. Hugh Th. Miller, the nominee for lieutenant-governor, has proved an able and conscientious member of the state legislature, and his nomination is an eminently fitting one." And United States Senator Beveridge said: "Hugh Miller

is a fine type of the young American, and will appeal to all who believe that the best ideals can be realized in character. His competitors were foemen worthy of his steel and to have been preferred to them is a great tribute to him."

The Indianapolis *Star* noted that Bro. Miller's managers urged his nomination because he was "a particularly clean man, both in politics and morals, and this kind of advertisement had effect. The fact that as a legislator he bolted the party caucuses on measures that did not meet his approval strengthened instead of injured him. A great many delegates said: 'Here is another Teddy Roosevelt kind of a man who will dare to do what he thinks is right, even if it does not please his party.'"

The *Star* also said: "Hugh Miller does not ascribe all of his success to the political friends who worked for him. He says that in no little degree did the members of his college fraternity conduce to the result which the ballots of the state convention showed." Speaking for the hosts of members of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ throughout the country who have the pleasure of being personally acquainted with him, the editors of THE SCROLL desire to offer to Bro. Miller hearty congratulations and best wishes.

The Indiana state Republican ticket includes three Phi Delta Thetas—all members of Indiana Gamma, viz.: Hugh Th. Miller, nominee for lieutenant-governor; Fassett A. Cotton, nominee for re-election as superintendent of public instruction, and John V. Hadley nominee for re-election as judge of the supreme court. The other Republican nominee for judge of the supreme court is a De Pauw ΣX , the nominee for secretary of state is a Purdue $K\Sigma$, the nominee for state treasurer is an Indiana University $\Phi K\Psi$, while the other nominees we believe are "barbs."

PHI DELTA THETA CONGRESSMEN.

In the present, the 58th, congress, which holds until March 4, 1905, $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ has twelve members—one senator and eleven representatives. The senator is J. C. S. Blackman, *Center*, '57; representative in the 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th and 48th congress, and senator from Kentucky from March 4, 1885, to March 4, 1897, and since March 4, 1901. The eleven $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ representatives in this congress are as follows:

FROM GEORGIA—Second district, J. M. Griggs, *Vanderbilt*, '81 (55th, 56th, 57th and 58th congresses). Eighth district, W. M. Howard, *Georgia*, '77 (55th, 56th, 57th, 58th),

Tenth district, T. W. Hardwick, *Georgia*, '93 (58th). Eleventh district, W. G. Bantley, *Georgia*, '82 (55th, 56th, 57th, 58th).

FROM ILLINOIS—Fifteenth district, G. W. Prince, *Knox*, '78 (54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th). Sixteenth district, J. V. Graff, *Wabash*, '76 (54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th).

FROM TEXAS—Third district, Gordon Russell, *Georgia*, '78 (57th, 58th).

FROM MISSISSIPPI—Fourth district, W. S. Hill, *Mississippi*, '84 (58th).

FROM TENNESSEE—Tenth district, M. R. Patterson, *Vanderbilt*, '82 (57th, 58th).

FROM INDIANA—Fourth district, F. M. Griffith, *Franklin*, '74 (55th, 56th, 57th, 58th).

FROM OHIO—Eleventh district, C. H. Grosvenor, *Ohio*, honorary (49th, 50th, 51st, 53d, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th 58th).

It may be safely asserted that no other fraternity has so large a representation in congress.

The four members of Φ Δ Θ from Georgia have recently been re-nominated, and in addition J. Gordon Lee, *Emory*, '80, has been nominated to represent the seventh district. Democratic nominations in Georgia are equivalent to elections, so that after the 4th of next March, Φ Δ Θ will have five out of the eleven representatives from that state. This is certainly remarkable. No other fraternity has ever had such a large proportion of congressmen from a single state, except possibly one of the smaller states having only two or three representatives. It may be remembered also that C. L. Moses, *Mercer*, '76, was a representative from Georgia for several terms.

BELATED ITEMS ABOUT THE SPANISH WAR.

From every number of that unique and enterprising journal, the *Phi Delta Theta News*, of Philadelphia, edited by Bros. Craig Atmore and Edward A. Shumway, M. D., we obtain a grist of interesting personals. From the fourth number, dated March, we clip the following items:

Bro. W. H. Ulsh, Pennsylvania Beta, '90, who graduated from the medical department at the University of Pennsylvania in 1892, entered the volunteer navy in May, 1898, as assistant surgeon, and received a commission in the regular service of the United States navy in June, 1900. He was on the U. S. S. *Yankton* during the Cuban blockade, and afterward spent three years in the Asiatic station on the *Glacier* and the *Annapolis*. While on

the latter vessel, he visited various ports in China and Australia, and saw quite thoroughly the Phillipine group. He was placed on the retired list for disability, contracted in the line of duty, in December, 1902, and has settled in Philadelphia, at 1209 Vine street.

The following extract is from a letter by Bro. George L. Darte, Pennsylvania Alpha and Zeta, '96:

At present I am financially interested in the Providence *News* and have been for the past two years struggling and endeavoring, with indifferent success, to make a second *Dana* out of a *Darte*. After leaving college I was appointed United States Consul at St. Pierre, Martinique, F. W. I., and took my post sometime before the outbreak of the Spanish-American war. When the clash came I confess I was a bit nervous over my position, feeling that I might be called upon to do things, and wondering if I could do them without making a break. I was right in the district that in sentiment was Spanish but under French government.

It would be rather wearisome (to you) for me to go into any great detail of my experience there, but there is one thing you might perhaps be interested in—which was the location of Cervera's fleet by Lieutenant Kane and myself and the fact that he and I gave to the government the first information of Cervera's whereabouts.

Early in May, the Spanish hospital ship *Alicante* entered the harbor of Fort de France, and a few days later the United States ship *Harrard*, under command of Captain Cotton, Lieutenant Beal and Lieutenant Kane, of the marines, dropped anchor at St. Pierre, some fourteen miles away. In the afternoon of the same day I received word that another ship, presumably the *Alfonso XIII*, had entered the harbor of Fort de France and was in communication with the *Alicante*. I immediately informed Captain Cotton, who at once ordered Lieutenant Kane to make an investigation; I was to accompany him, because I knew the country. The difficulty was to get there quickly. The only means of communication between the two places was by means of a small steamer that made two trips daily, the last boat leaving at 2 o'clock. Now as it was after that time when I received my information, you can readily understand in what a predicament we were. It was impossible to secure horses, and even had we done so, the journey by land would be at least thirty miles and over steep mountain passes.

Finally, after much difficulty, we secured a native canoe with four men to row it, and left St. Pierre at 9 o'clock in the evening. To make matters worse, a tropical rainstorm sprang up, and we took off our shoes and stockings in case we should have to swim for it. We reached Fort de France at half-past two the next morning, and, after reconnoitering for a while, discovered the *Alicante*, but no trace of the *Alfonso XIII*. Wet, tired and disgusted, we silently landed and made for the hotel to dry our clothes. Then we went out on the beach. About half-past four, just as the mist was beginning to lift, we discerned around the point what we considered to be a number of vessels. As it grew lighter the misty outlines took definite form, and there before our eyes lay the much-sought-for fleet of Cervera.

As we stood there the torpedo boat destroyer *Furor* left the fleet and steamed into the bay. It landed some officers, who left dispatches with the Spanish consul. You may be sure we did not make any effort to go up and shake hands with them. On the contrary, we kept very shady. The *Terror* also steamed into the harbor and remained there for two weeks, as she was badly disabled. After the *Furor* joined the fleet they steamed out of sight. Afraid to trust our news to telegraph or telephone, we managed to secure a yacht and steamed back to St. Pierre. I immediately sent cipher messages

to the department of state, notifying them of the whereabouts of the fleet, and Lieutenant Kane reported to Captain (now Admiral) Cotton on the *Harvard*, who notified the navy department.

Shortly after the end of the war I was transferred to Patras, Greece, and was located there for some time, subsequently resigning, as, to speak frankly, there is little or no particular future in the United States consular service as it is carried on today, owing to the fact that it is so non-permanent. Sometime--if they ever do make it a permanent service—I should like to re-enter it. Meanwhile I am plugging away and congratulating myself that I was not at Martinique at the time of the eruption.

COLLEGIATE.

Before the civil war about one-fifth of the Yale students came from the southern states, as compared with about one-twentieth now.

Hereafter Harvard will confer degrees at the end of the first half year on such men as have finished by that time the required work and wish to receive the degree at once.

Because none of the songs submitted in the competition started by John O. Heald, of Orange, N. J., with a prize of \$100 for the best Yale song, came up to his expectation, the prize will not be awarded this year.

Owing to similarity in names Columbian University, Washington, D. C., has frequently been confused with Columbia University in the City of New York. The trustees of the former institution have recently voted to change its appellation to George Washington University. There are a number of institutions named for the father of his country, among them four in which $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ is established—Washington University, the University of Washington, Washington and Lee University and Washington and Jefferson College.

The *Cornell Daily Sun* will soon publish a column of world news every morning—an innovation in college journalism. The *Sun* is enabled to do this by the fact that it is published in a small town without a morning paper and the earliest papers do not reach there before 10 o'clock in the morning. Hence the Cornell daily expects to reach a great number of people who are not interested in college news, but whose interest in outside news will cause them to subscribe. So far as is known the *Sun* is the only college paper in a position to do this.—*Chicago Daily Maroon*.

HEALTH OF COLLEGE ATHLETES.

Dr. George L. Meylen, Harvard, '02, now director of the Columbia gymnasium, has investigated college athletics, with reference especially to the health of the athletes. The results of his inquiries are printed in detail in the *Harvard Graduate's Magazine*, in which he says:

The evils attributed to athletics are many. Some claim that athletes are dulled and brutalized by sports, with the result that they fall below the standard in intellectual attainments; others pretend that athletic training and competition so exhaust the young men that they lack the nervous force and energy necessary for success in life. Still other alarmists tell us that athletes die young of heart disease or consumption, or, at best, are more or less incapacitated physically. Unfortunately, there has been much written and more said on this question, but without any attempt to get at the facts in the matter. The only phase of the question which may be said to have been investigated thoroughly is the intellectual standing of athletes. The results in every case have shown that athletes are not only up to the average in scholarship, but in most cases they stand above the average of students.

Dr. Meylen began a systematic investigation into the history of all Harvard oarsmen from the first race, in 1852, to 1892, inclusive. He selected the oarsmen because in training they do exactly the same kind and amount of work; because rowing was the first intercollegiate sport organized, and because it is the most strenuous of all sports, and said to overtax the heart and kidneys more than any other. He first obtained a complete list of all Harvard 'varsity oarsmen for the 41 years mentioned, and found that 152 different men rowed during that time, and of these, 120 were living November 1, 1902.

His traveling expenses being paid by the Harvard athletic committee, he either visited every one of the 120 survivors or had examinations made by the family physician of those whom he did not visit. From the data thus secured he compiled an elaborate table, showing that the oarsmen had exceeded their natural expectation of life. Commenting on this exhibit, he says:

The table shows conclusively that Harvard oarsmen do not die prematurely, and that they live longer than healthy men accepted by life insurance companies. The frequent assertion that athletes are particularly liable to heart disease and consumption is not true of Harvard oarsmen, for these diseases are rare among them.

In addition to information about the health of the 120 survivors, Dr. Meylen obtained information as to the profession or business of 105 of them. He says that not one can be said to have made a failure in life. There are 5 who are in subordinate positions. About 80 are what may be called successful professional and business men. The other 20 are men of national and international reputation, being at the

head of their respective positions in commerce and the professions. He computes the number of Harvard oarsmen whose names appear in "Who's Who in America," and says:

But if we take into consideration the fact that it is practically impossible for a young man to achieve sufficient eminence to earn a place in this book in less than 15 years after leaving college, we may eliminate from our figures the 20 young men who rowed since 1888. In the table which follows I have given the percentage of the 120 oarsmen and also of the 100 men who rowed previous to 1889.

The table further shows that only 2.1 per cent. of all college graduates earn a place in the list of 8,000 leading men and women in America; 5.9 per cent. of the intellectual leaders in college (as determined by membership in $\Phi\text{ B K}$) are found in this list; but 8.3 per cent. of college leaders in rowing achieve sufficient success to earn a place in "Who's Who in America." If we carry the point further and take only the oarsmen who have been out of college at least 15 years, we find 10 per cent. of them in the list of eminent men. This is indeed a strong refutation of the argument that college athletics dull, distract, and exhaust young men.

	Per cent. living graduates in "Who's Who."	Per cent. $\Phi\text{ B K}$ graduates in "Who's Who."	Per cent. Harvard oarsmen in "Who's Who." (All 120.)	Per cent. Harvard oarsmen in "Who's Who." (Of 100 up to 1889.)
Amherst College.....	2.6	4.6	..	..
Bowdoin College.....	2.2	10.	..	..
Brown University.....	1.8	3.3	..	..
Colgate University.....	1.7	2.1	..	..
Columbia University.....	.8	6.7	..	..
Cornell University.....	1.6	5.2	..	..
Dartmouth College.....	2.4	5.8	..	..
Hamilton College.....	3.	2.4	..	..
Harvard University.....	2.7	12.5	8.3	10
Hobart College.....	2.6	1.5	..	..
Kenyon College.....	3.6	2.1	..	..
Marietta College.....	1.1	.6	..	..
Middlebury College.....	3.3	2.3	..	..
College of the City of New York.....	.8	1.1	..	..
New York University.....	.4	2.1	..	..
Rutgers College.....	1.6	1.7	..	..
Trinity College.....	4.1	5.3	..	..
Union University.....	.3	6.4	..	..
Wesleyan University.....	3.4	5.6	..	..
Western Reserve University.....	4.	3.6	..	..
Williams College.....	2.8	7.6	..	..
Yale University.....	2.3	6.5	..	..
Averages.....	2.1	5.9	8.3	10

The new Yale triennial catalogue shows a total of about 22,000 graduates, of whom about 12,500 are alive. About 65 per cent. of the living and dead graduates and about 65 per cent. of the living graduates have received their degrees in the academic department. The oldest living Yale graduate is the Rev. Joseph S. Lord, of the class of 1831. He lives at Laingsburg and is 96 years old this month.

HELLENIC.

The latest fraternity to enter Georgia Tech. is Π K A.

Σ N is still the only fraternity at the University of Oregon.

Southern K A is distributing revised rituals to its chapters.

There are now two fraternities at Baker University, Kansas—K Σ and Δ T Δ.

At Armour Institute of Technology, Chicago there are two fraternities—Δ T Δ and Φ K Σ.

Σ X is preparing to build houses at Dartmouth, Dickinson, Illinois, Missouri and Mississippi.

The Kentucky University and Kentucky State College chapters of K A jointly rent a house in Lexington.

West Virginia University now has eight fraternities—Φ K Ψ, Φ Σ K, Σ X, Φ K Σ, K A, Δ T Δ, B Θ II, Σ N.

At Colorado College, Colorado Springs, there is one national fraternity, K Σ, and two locals, B II and Φ Δ, seeking national fraternity affiliations.

We observe that the Α Φ *Quarterly* calls the deceased members of that sorority "the Silent Chapter," as we call the deceased members of Φ Δ Θ "the Chapter Grand."

A chapter of Σ N was installed at the University of Chicago, April 15. The degrees were conferred by teams from Northwestern and Illinois. A banquet at the Auditorium was attended by 100.

K A, K Σ and Σ N are established at the Missouri School of Mines, Rolla, Mo.; Σ N, Σ A E and the Crucible club (applying to B Θ II for a charter) at the Colorado School of Mines, Golden, Col.

An editorial in the *Phi Gamma Delta* refers to "the true idea of fraternity as exemplified before the present dancing club tendency prevailed," and says: "An old boy predicts the rise soon of an organization for mutual helpfulness among college men which will take the place filled formerly by the Greek letter fraternity now degenerated into a society."

The K Σ *Caduceus* for April contains nineteen "college and fraternity notes," including ten taken from THE SCROLL, but it is somewhat chary about making acknowledgements, giving us credit for only two paragraphs.

Θ Λ Φ established a chapter at the University of Georgia, March 18. The fraternity was founded at the Dickinson School of Law last year, and now has four chapters, and is said to have several applications for charters.

There are now ten fraternities at Washington and Lee—Φ K Ψ, K A, Σ X, Σ A E, Φ Γ Δ, K Σ, Σ N, Φ Δ Θ, Π K A, Δ T Δ. The *Caduceus* of K Σ says: "There are no chapter houses at W. and L. at present, but with the rapid extension of the university several may be expected soon."

We desire to secure a college banner or pennant from each chapter of the fraternity, and, to that end, have purchased thirty-five Tufts pennants for exchange. May we ask the chapters to consider this request as soon as possible?—Tufts correspondence of Δ Y *Quarterly*. We commend the same plan to our own chapters.

Σ N is well lauding two conspicuously loyal members, one now deceased, who left his chapter half of a \$10,000 insurance policy for a chapter house at Indiana University, and another member of the same chapter who is said to have raised \$3,000 additional by canvassing alumni throughout the state for increased funds for the same purpose.—K A *Journal*.

Fifty years ago a man generally wore his fraternity pin in his cravat. As time wore on the pin advanced to the lapel of the coat; then fraternity conservatism dictated that it was ill-mannered to display it upon any place but the waistcoat. The best authorities upon the subject recognize that it is only proper to wear the pin as near the heart as possible.—*Phi Gamma Delta*.

X Ψ, prominent and wealthy in certain eastern and western institutions, has only two living chapters in the south, its Wofford and Georgia branches being the only remnants of a list that at one time included Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Furman (S. C.,) and Mississippi. Its chapters are termed Alphas, and the fraternity is evidently anxious to revive its defunct southern branches.—K A *Journal*.

A census of the fraternities in college, taken a few days ago, shows that of more than 200 students, but thirty-three belong to fraternities, distributed as follows: K A and Π K A, nine each; Φ Γ Δ, eight; K Σ, four; Φ K Σ, three. This is the smallest percentage of any college in the state, and considerably lower than the records of any previous years.—Richmond correspondence of the *Phi Gamma Delta*.

K A, with her strong southern affiliation has many advocates of northern extension. We think K A has almost stretched a point in her constitution already, since she has two chapters in West Virginia, two in California, and one at the nation's capital. K A we believe once upon a time charted petitioners at Marietta College, Ohio, but the petition collapsed before an installation was formally made.—*Delta of Σ N.*

Following is an enumeration of the members of various fraternities who belong to Ν Σ N, the medical fraternity, as shown by its catalogue issued last December: B Θ Π, 76; Φ Δ Θ, 71; Δ K E, 44; Δ Y, 38; Φ Γ Δ, 34; Σ X, 34; Φ K Ψ, 31; A Δ Φ, 27; Ψ Y, 24; Δ T Δ, 23; Σ A E, 18; A T Ω, 18; X Ψ, 18; Σ N, 13; K Σ, 11; Z Ψ, 10; Θ Δ X, 19; K A (both orders), 8; X Φ, 7; Δ Ψ, 6; Φ K Σ, 5; Δ Φ, 4; Σ Φ, 2; Φ Σ K, 2; Π K A, 1; Φ K A, 1; Φ X, 1.

When Φ Γ Δ and Σ N made a plain gold pin the only official badge of the fraternity, jewelers to the fraternity being forbidden to make or sell any more jeweled badges, they might as well have tried to dam the Mississippi river. There was never a more arbitrary ruling than the above, and though honestly conceived, it would minimize the sale of badges or else shorten the days of their use. Give us the richly-jeweled badge, and let the girls wear them, God bless them.—*Delta of Σ N.*

Of the eight men who founded Σ A E at the University of Alabama in 1856, only one survives—Col. J. B. Rudolph, of Pleasant Hill, Ala. He was recently visited by the eminent supreme archon, W. C. Levere, of Evanston, Ill., who was delighted to find that he had a specimen of the writing of Noble Leslie DeVotie, the real originator of the fraternity. This writing, a poem of much merit, was a tribute of friendship for his comrade Rudolph. It seems that there is no other specimen of his handwriting extant. The poem is printed in the *Record*.

For various reasons, the following fraternities appear unable to maintain official magazines: $\Delta\Phi$, $\Delta\Psi$, $\Sigma\Phi$ and Northern $K\Lambda$ have never supported papers. $X\Phi$, ΨY , $A\Delta\Phi$ and $Z\Psi$ have had only spasmodic success at the enterprise, and are now out of the magazine business. $X\Psi$ has some sort of a sheet, but does not exchange, while $\Phi K\Sigma$ has "broke down," and now publishes only a "News Letter," not for general circulation. All other fraternities now maintain official magazines open for general subscription, and most of them, in addition, have their official paper for confidential and official matter.—*K A Journal*.

The Masonic students of the University of Michigan have filed papers of incorporation of the "Acacia Fraternity" with the county clerk. This is the culmination of a movement that has been on foot for a long time among Masonic students of the United States for the organization of an intercollegiate fraternity, the prerequisite of which is that the initiate must be a Master Mason. An innovation in the way of college secret societies is that the Hebrew and not the Greek letters will be used. Michigan, the parent chapter of the organization, will be known as the "Ateph Chapter of the Acacia Fraternity."

In the *Phi Gamma Delta* the only advertisement of a fraternity jeweler is that of Roehm & Son; and excepting an advertisement of the $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$ catalogue it is the only advertisement in the magazine. Roehm & Son are advertised as the "sole official jewelers of $\Phi\Gamma\Delta$." They offer "the official badge adopted by the last ekklesia" (convention) at \$2.15, postpaid. This is the first time we have ever noticed the price of a badge of a college secret society published in its magazine. It is certainly the cheapest fraternity badge we ever heard of, and at that price probably other jewelers do not care very much for the trade. Roehm & Son also advertise "novelties that are not prohibited by the laws of the fraternity," "stationery with the correct coat-of-arms," and "college pennants."

The figures appended to the names of the following colleges indicate respectively the number of male students, the number of fraternity men and the number of fraternities: Maine, 485, 250, 8; Dartmouth, 900, 400, 12; M. I. T., 1,700, 274, 11; Cornell, 3,284, 568, 33; Columbia, 2,885, 500, 20; Hobart, 150, 70, 4; Lafayette, 450, 200, 11; Gettysburg, 240, 78, 6;

W. and J., 315, —, 15; Dickinson, 400, 180, 9; Pennsylvania, 2,685, —, 24; Lehigh, 620, 290, 17; Bucknell, 600, 60, 5; Virginia, 700, 300, 17; West Virginia, 425, 102, 7; Miami, 120, 47, 4; O. W. U., 800, 200, 8; Wooster, 175, 50, 4; O. S. U., 1,500, 240, 11. Cincinnati, 900, 80, 4; Denison, 300, 60, 3; Michigan, 3,000, 600, 17 literary, 11 professional; Indiana, 600, 150, 8; Hanover, 105, 41, 4; DePauw, 325, 120, 9; Purdue, 1,000, 150, 9; Chicago, 1,150, 210, 12; Illinois Wesleyan, 226, 20, 2; Wisconsin, 1,600, 375, 16; Beloit, 223, 54, 3; Iowa, 900, 125, 7; Kansas, 1,000, 165, 8; Missouri, 1,000, 140, 8; Washington, 1,700, 90, 6; Central, 130, 68, 6; K. S. C., 550, 95, 7; Mississippi, 260, 125, 8; Tulane, 800, 162, 11; Texas, 400, 165, 11; California, 3,000, 260, 35; Stanford, 800, 250, 15; Washington State, 360, 110, 5. These figures are from the *S X Quarterly*, which publishes such statistics preceding chapter letters.

S N now has 48 active chapters in 25 states. The editor of the *Delta* advocates further extension throughout "the bounds of English-speaking America," particularly in the northeast, and more particularly at M. I. T., Brown, and U. of Pa. In the last issue of the *Delta* he says:

S N has turned down regular petitions from four large institutions and numerous smaller ones recently; and during the incumbency of the present editor *S N* has declined to enter a score or more of institutions—in some instances where our petitioners were afterwards chartered by some of the oldest and largest fraternities. But why boast of these matters? The editor believes it not only polite, but politic, to shield those whom we have turned down—they have feelings and memories, and the resentment engendered by even an impersonal reference would counterbalance the possible satisfaction afforded our pride by boasting of our "conquests." Let the truthful assertion here made suffice, without particularizing. Who knows but some of those we declined we should have accepted? Their success today is a discredit to our wisdom and judgment; it is not a matter for us to boast about.

In an editorial on extension in the *Beta Theta Pi*, Mr. Wm. R. Baird says: "It is the duty of the general secretary of the fraternity to assist *any* body of petitioners to prepare their application, put it into regular form, point out from what sources indorsements must be secured, indicate what class of facts had best be presented, and the like. This is his duty; it doesn't follow that he advocates the movement; but whatever his personal opinion, he must give the fraternity an opportunity to choose." Continuing, Mr. Baird says:

There are a number of movements looking toward the establishment of chapters in different parts of the country. We urge the chapters not to pass upon such matters lightly or, in fact, at all except to secure such information

as may tend to lead to a better understanding of the matter presented. In many chapters when the secretary presents a petition in a perfunctory way, some one gets up and says, "Of course fellows, we don't want to go to that place. I had a friend who visited it four or five years ago, and he said it was bum." And the rest of the chapter follow like a lot of sheep, and the chapter goes on record against the matter. Then when it comes up in the convention, the delegate from that chapter, under a mistaken sense of loyalty to his chapter and perhaps out of pride of opinion, fights the matter, tooth and nail. And all on a valueless bit of second-hand gossip. Some chapters do patiently examine what material is before them and try to arrive at a correct judgment; but this is almost futile. The best way is to send a delegate with an open mind, in whose discretion the chapter has some confidence, and let him act as his judgment dictates.

FRATERNITY SONGS WANTED.

There are two songs which have been much in vogue among college undergraduates during the past year, the melodies of which would seem to be peculiarly adaptable to college singing. One is "Down Where the Wurzburger Flows" and the other is "Under the Bamboo Tree." We wish some of our budding poets would take up this matter and compose fraternity songs which would fit either or both of these tunes. We haven't enough songs, and here seems a peculiarly fitting opportunity to increase the number.

The above paragraph is clipped from the *Beta Theta Pi*. We make the same suggestion to the poets in our own fraternity, and hope they will act upon it during the coming summer. We should be very much pleased to print several good new songs in THE SCROLL for October.

The District of Columbia alumni association of A T Ω has offered \$25 for the best song submitted to the *Palm* this year, at least ten sets of verses being necessary for said competition. None of our alumni clubs have made such an offer, but, nevertheless, we hope that the poetic spirit of Phis will be roused, and that we shall be favored with tuneful verses, which will be worthy of publication in the next edition of the song book as well as in THE SCROLL.

The last issue of the *Palm* contains four or five new A T Ω songs. One of them is to the air of "Down Where the Wurzburger Flows." It mentions A Δ Φ, Δ K E, Φ K Ψ, Σ X, Φ Δ Θ, Θ Δ X, Ψ Y, X Ψ and Σ N. The chorus follows:

How I long to enter the shelter of Alpha Tau,
I would like to be one of you, would you teach me how.
The Phi Delta's shield and their sword are too fierce,
The Theta Delt's arrows my heart cannot pierce,
Psi U's pin is bright
And Chi Psi's all right,
But Alpha Tau's I'll choose for mine.



CHICAGO'S PAN-HELLENIC PROMENADE.

The first Pan-Hellenic promenade at the University of Chicago, held April 15, was a great success. The above half-tone view appeared first in the *Chicago Daily Maroon*, which describing the affair said: "Two hundred couples joined in the grand march, which was viewed from the left of the entrance by the receiving line of chaperons. The programs, which were exquisite and useful as souvenirs, were distributed, flashlight pictures of the long line were taken, and then dancing began. Perhaps the grandest feature of the Pan-Hellenic lay in the work of decoration. The rivalry of the fraternities in the ornamentation of their booths produced a wealth of variety and elaboration. No two booths were decorated on exactly the same lines; some with the aid of more favorable colors, were more pleasing in the artificial light. Others were preferred from the standpoint of uniqueness and originality. To make an unprejudiced choice with so many points in consideration would be hard indeed."

K Σ revived a chapter at Washington and Lee, March 11, and established a chapter at Colorado College, March 12. This gives K Σ sixty-eight active chapters the same number that Φ Δ Θ had before it chartered a chapter at Pennsylvania State. For twenty years Φ Δ Θ has had a larger number of chapters than any other fraternity, but in this respect it will doubtless soon be eclipsed by K Σ, as the latter is granting charters very rapidly. Several members of the K Σ chapters at the University of Missouri and Baker University recently visited the University of Kansas, and made an unsuccessful attempt to organize a crowd of petitioners there. This action was looked upon with disfavor by all the fraternities at Kansas (Β Θ Π, Φ Κ Ψ, Φ Δ Θ, Φ Γ Δ, Σ Ν, Σ Χ, Σ Α Ε, Α Τ Ω) and at a Pan-Hellenic meeting the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, it has come before our notice that some fraternities have in the past few months contemplated installing chapters in the University of Kansas, and

WHEREAS, we wish to maintain the present high standard and type of men who belong to fraternities, believing, as we do, that with the present enrollment at the university, amounting to only 830 men, of whom 160 are Greek-letter men, it will be impossible long to maintain this standard should another chapter be installed, and

WHEREAS, fraternity material is scarce, owing to the nature of the material drawn from, coming as it does from smaller towns and schools; therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the undersigned representatives of the eight fraternities located at the University of Kansas, voicing the sentiments of our chapters, do hereby wish it to be known that we disfavor the introduction of a new chapter here in the course of the next few years, and hope that for the good of fraternities in general that such a course will not be pursued; and further be it

Resolved that copies of these resolutions be sent to the official organs of the fraternities represented for publication, and that they be sent to the proper authorities of any fraternity now considering entrance at the University of Kansas.

According to the sketch of K Σ in "American College Fraternities," a secret order called the Kirjaith Sepher was founded at the University of Bologna about 1400; it spread to the universities of Florence, Montpelier, Orleans and Paris, where, after flourishing many years, it finally became extinct; but two Americans, pursuing medical studies in Paris in 1865, traced the origin, and history of the order, and having returned to America, established K Σ at the University of Virginia, 1867, basing it on the traditions and ceremonies of the Kirjaith Sepher. Fraternity men generally have regarded the story as about as apocryphal as the claim of X Φ to have

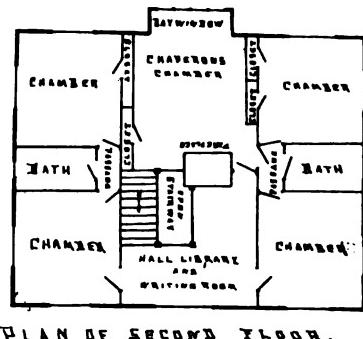
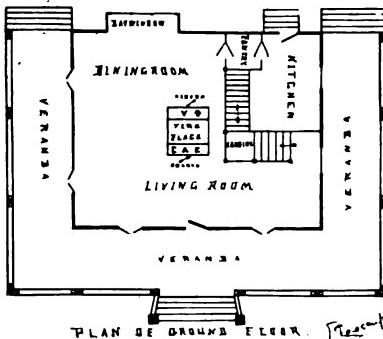
been founded in 1824. Evidently, however, K Σ takes the story seriously. This is shown by the following paragraph from the speech of an alumnus at the recent conclave of the first district at Boston, quoted from the April *Caduceus*:

There is something about that old brick city in northern Italy, surrounded by its brick wall with its twelve gates, that makes its history precious to our men—that city, famous throughout the world for its churches and its university; a university, once the most celebrated in Italy; with its library of 140,000 volumes, its 9,000 MSS.; with its galleries of paintings, its botanical gardens and observatory. Here, just as the world was emerging from the gloom of the dark ages, was born our honored fraternity. Bologna, you know, was, a few centuries before, an imperial city, later it became an independent republic, and during the days of Kirjaith Sepher it was ruled by families, first by one powerful family and then by another; family feuds within, and the pressure of barbarians from without threatened to extinguish this lamp of knowledge. A fugitive Greek organized that society, and, in obedience to its traditions, faithful and loyal Kappa Sigmas have, for nearly four decades, battled for knowledge, as noble knights.

THE INFLUENCE OF FRATERNITIES.

The influence of a fraternity depends upon the caliber of its members. If the men are weak, the fraternity will be their ruin, for they will develop their tendencies to dissipate and loaf. But if the men have the qualities of good fellowship and true manhood in them, the fraternity influence will do more for them than anything else of their college life.

This, in brief, is the gist of the result of an investigation into fraternity matters conducted by University of California daily paper. The investigation was the most minute and searching ever conducted. The answers to inquiries showed that most fraternities regard their organizations as instruments for fostering social and brotherly spirit rather than gaining pre-eminence in college politics or activities. Some of the specific advantages named by others were: the fraternities as units of college life; their fostering of a spirit of loyalty; and an aid to the university in preserving order among underclassmen, by fostering senior control and freshman subordination. One man, however, believed this last point to be rather theoretical. Other benefits to the university which were named were: keeping alumni interested in the university through interest in their fraternity chapter; attracting good men who would otherwise go to another college, or not at all; promoting clean athletics; acting as the conservative balance wheel of student opinion; affording a channel of fellowship with faculty men.—*Chicago Daily Maroon*.



SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON SUMMER CLUB HOUSE.

These illustrations were kindly loaned by the editor of the *Σ A E Record*, an article in which says the house is located at Ocean View, Del., "a quiet resort in the early stages of its development," on the Atlantic coast, about 10 miles south of Rehoboth. The lodge was built, 1903, by a corporation of 35 Sigs, representing 8 eastern chapters, mostly residents of Philadelphia. The outside dimensions, including the veranda, are 65 feet front by 46 feet deep, the interior measuring 42 by 34.

PHI KAPPA PSI CONVENTION.

The proceedings of the grand arch council (convention) of $\Phi\ K\ \Psi$, held at Indianapolis, April 6-8, are published in the April *Shield*. All of the 40 active chapters and 20 of the alumni associations were represented. The number known to be present was 371, but the actual number is believed to be "in the neighborhood of 400."

Reports showed that 14 chapters owned houses (those mentioned on page 450 of the April SCROLL; while the Cornell chapter "is maturing plans for the erection of the finest chapter house in the land;" the Columbia chapter is arranging for the "construction of a new house on Riverside Drive, New York City, at a cost of from \$75,000 to \$80,000;" the University of Pennsylvania chapter has purchased a lot "in an ideal location," and raised \$13,000 toward "a handsome \$20,000 brick edifice," to be erected this summer; and the Kansas chapter was to buy a house the next week after the convention.

The report of one of the archons says: "Kappa, at Swarthmore, in the face of the faculty opposition has an elegant little chapter of 14 men, who represent the best side of this Quaker institution. From all sources nothing but praise is heard of a chapter which has produced such prominent alumni."

At the University of Illinois there are as many as seven Phi Psis from various chapters, and they have petitioned for a charter. A group picture of them appears in the *Shield*, which calls them the "Illinois orphans." The convention adopted that part of the report of the committee on extension which recommended "that the University of Illinois be placed upon the accredited list, and that the executive committee be instructed to grant a charter to said institution and establish a chapter there when, in their judgment, a suitable number of petitioners of satisfactory character has been secured."

Requests from the Cleveland alumni association and the $\Omega\ \Psi$ society of Case that the desirability of entering that school be investigated were referred to the executive council for investigation.

The petition from the University of Texas was withdrawn, but "there is still some hope that the chapters opposing the movement will reconsider the matter," and if the opposing chapters yield the petition may be renewed by Jan. 1, 1905.

A communication in reference to an annual reunion at Put-in-Bay was referred to the newly established alumni board.

The convention resolved to incorporate the "Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity," under the laws of New York, the executive council of the fraternity to constitute the board of directors.

The committee on Θ N E reported that "Θ N E has caused dissension in several chapters, by forming two factions in the chapter;" that in nearly all chapters "nine-tenths of the active members are strongly opposed to Θ N E and consider it a menace to the chapter;" that "the time spent on Θ N E might be put in on work for Φ K Ψ to good advantage;" that "many college faculties have excluded Θ N E;" that the committee had examined it thoroughly without finding "anything in the life or character of that organization which would render it desirable, in spite of its very apparent detrimental features." But the recommendations of the committee, "that each chapter be required to enact a by-law prohibiting its members from joining Θ N E or any organization of similar character," and "that all members of Φ K Ψ now pledged to Θ N E be required to break such pledge," were rejected, and there was no further legislation on the subject.

The convention adopted a resolution declaring that the badge of the fraternity should be worn only as a badge or as an alumnus button, and not in other forms of jewelry. The committee on flag and coat-of-arms "reported that it seemed impossible to design a suitable flag from the colors of the fraternity." A motion to change the colors from pink and lavender to red was lost, as was a motion instructing the committee to design a flag of some color or colors other than those of the fraternity. The committees were continued to report at the next biennial convention.

On the first evening of the convention "a hilarious company enjoyed a vaudeville program prepared by the Indianapolis alumni. Features of the evening were singing by a colored quartette and by the Indiana Alpha (DePauw,) quartette, a monologue 'stunt' by an amateur of local reputation, who rung in a number of hits appropriate to the occasion, two recitations of original poems by 'Ted' Robinson, of the Indianapolis *Journal*, and a boxing match, superintended by Bro. Harry Bingham, sporting editor of the Indianapolis *News*, during the course of which some staid alumni stood on their chairs with eager interest."

At the ball on the second evening, "the attendance must have aggregated fully 750, of which number more than half were ladies." At the banquet on the third evening "more

than 275 Phi Psis" were present. THE SCROLL for April mentioned the features of this occasion—the ovation to James Whitcomb Riley, the Dixie incident (like a similar occurrence at the semi-centennial convention of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$.) and the appearance of newsboys crying the *Midnight Shield*, which was "filled in every column, under flaring heads, with hits of peculiar Phi Psi interest, and illustrated with cuts fearfully and wonderfully executed." The next grand arch council will meet at Washington, D. C., in April, 1906.

PRINCETON—A FRATERNITY GRAVEYARD.

Following are extracts from an interesting article by Mr. Leroy S. Boyd, in the *Kappa Alpha Journal*:

Princeton University is the only educational institution of prominence in the country that bars out the fraternities. The avowed object is to protect her two great institutions of debate and oratory, the Cliosophic and the American Whig Literary Societies. Of 1,339 students at Princeton in 1902, 358 belonging to the former and 297 to the latter, nearly one-half of the student-body. We can well imagine the pale and trembling youth striving for recognition in such large assemblages, having about as much showing as a new member of congress attempting to catch the eye of the speaker. The object of the literary society should be to train the weaker members; the stronger men need little or no training. Hence, we can not but compare the large literary society to the large college class, where the individual student receives scanty attention and but little good. In the former case, however, it is but human nature for the handful of able men to monopolize all the offices and honors of the society, and to appropriate the time that should be given to those who stand in need of forensic training.

Yet Princeton has in its clubs a species of organization that closely resembles the fraternity. Like the fraternities at the larger institutions, each has its living-house, and its members are selected in no manner differing from that employed by the Greek-letter societies. They are confined to the upper classes. There are ten of these clubs—the Ivy, University College, Tiger Inn, Cap and Gown, Colonial, Elm, Cannon, Campus, Quadrangle, and Charter.

But in times past Princeton has had its fraternities and it took the best efforts of the old Scotch Presbyterian, the late President McCash, to crush them out. The fraternity graveyard at Princeton contains the following tombs with their honorable inscriptions: B Θ II, 1843-46; Δ K E, 1845-57; Z Ψ , 1850-84; Δ Ψ , 1851-53; X Ψ , 1851-57; K A (Northern), 1852-56; Φ K Σ , 1853-76; Σ Φ , 1853-58; Δ Φ , 1854-77; X Φ , 1854-68; Θ Δ X, 1863-67; Σ X, 1875-82.

Occasionally the fraternity spirit crops out again at Princeton, only to be silenced by a heavy hand and lost amid the insane whirl of modern athletics, the greatest fear of fraternities at this time being that they will interfere with the freedom of athletic elections. The new president of Princeton, Dr. Woodrow Wilson, is a member of Φ K Ψ at Virginia, and the first president of Princeton not a minister of the gospel. He is a graduate of Princeton, of the University of Virginia Law School, and of Johns Hopkins.

As a fraternity man who never made a forty-yard run or disputed the decision of the umpire, his career at Princeton will be watched with more than ordinary interest.

Mr. Boyd gives statistics to prove that Princeton produced before the civil war many men who became nationally prominent, but has produced very few since, and this he attributes to the banishment of fraternities:

In the early days the career of Princeton was resplendent, but today it is insignificant. It is out of touch with its sister institutions simply because it frowns down upon the historic social organizations which promote good-fellowship and lend a helping hand to its members when they have passed beyond college walls. Educational institutions should foster those student organizations which tend to promote and retain college spirit among its students and alumni. No literary society or pleasure club can do this; this is distinctively the province of the Greek letter fraternity.

THE PYX.

TO REPORTERS: As soon as convenient after commencement exercises are over, please send news letters for *THE SCROLL*, to appear in the October number, which will be issued about October 1.

If the reporters for 1904-05 have been elected, please send to us their college addresses at once; if not, send them as soon as they are chosen.

Be sure to notify us of the number of copies of the October *SCROLL* that will be needed to supply all active members.

Kindly forward to us personals, college and fraternity notes, and inform us about plates which may be available for illustrations.

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A very enjoyable event occurred in Worcester, Mass., on April 1, when seven Phis, all of Rhode Island Alpha, sat down to a bountiful repast at the restaurant in the Mutual Life Building in that city. Those present were: R. M. Brown, '93; S. H. Chace, '93; E. B. Dolan, '93; H. St. J. Filmer, '93; I. L. Foster, '93; A. C. Ely, '94; E. D. Aldrich, '95. With the exception of Bro. Foster, who is in charge of the department of romance languages in Pennsylvania State College, all were residents of Worcester or neighborhood. Bro. Brown is teaching geography in the city high schools; Bro. Ely is instructor in German in the same schools; Bro. Aldrich is master of modern languages in Worcester academy; Bro. Filmer is pastor of the Baptist church in Webster, Mass.; Bro. Dolan is pastor of the Baptist church in Wales, Mass.;

Bro. Chace is superintendent of schools in Ayer, Mass. Some of those present had not seen each other for many years, and great pleasure was experienced in living the old days over again.

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Although the chapter letter of Wisconsin Alpha in the April SCROLL announced the splendid new chapter house movement, it is so noteworthy as to excite our heartiest comment. We give three cheers for Wisconsin Alpha. A fine lot opposite the present house has been chosen at a cost of \$10,000, and a handsome \$20,000 building will be erected. The new location is much larger and has direct connection with Lake Mendota. Certainly this new enterprise looks toward something ideal for the chapter, and in its great vitality and prosperity all Phi Delta Thetas will rejoice.

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Bro. Hugh Th. Miller, former editor of THE SCROLL, in writing of his successful fight for the Republican nomination for lieutenant-governor of Indiana, tells of numerous Phis who were delegates to the convention, or who influenced those who were delegates. Bro. Miller says he does not know of a $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ in the state who was not "for him" Bro. George Banta, our official printer, is the Democratic mayor of Menasha, Wisconsin. Bro. Miller heard of a quarter where Bro. Banta could assist him. As soon as Bro. Banta heard of it, though he was suffering with a dislocated shoulder, he took the train for Indianapolis, and with his arm in a sling plunged into the fray and did the work assigned him, returning to Wisconsin the same day. Bro. Miller thinks that this is a most striking example of fraternity loyalty. Bro. Banta was P. G. C., 1876-1878, as was Bro. Miller, 1894-1896. The fathers of these two Phis, Judge D. D. Banta and Rev. John C. Miller, were both Indiana Alpha Phis, classmates ('55) and roommates. Bro. Miller says that Bro. Banta wrote him he was coming not only to help out a $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ living, but also "for the sake of the old boys of '55."

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The presidents of Delta and Epsilon provinces contribute to this number of THE SCROLL accounts of recent conventions in those provinces. The minutes of Delta province convention will be issued in pamphlet form. Bro. J. E. McDowell, president of Theta province, informs us that the con-

vention of that province was postponed, on account of inability of the three Pacific chapters to agree on a date convenient for all of them.

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An index of this volume of THE SCROLL will be sent out with the next issue. All subscribers who have the magazine bound (and we hope many do) are advised to wait until October for the title page and index of Volume XXVIII.

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The library of the fraternity contains many college annuals issued during previous years, and chapters are requested to contribute annuals published during 1903-04. Dr. J. E. Brown, 239 East Town street, Columbus, Ohio, is fraternity librarian as well as P. G. C.

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The editor acknowledges with thanks the invitation of Kentucky Alpha-Delta to attend its commencement reception on June 1 at the home of Miss Nan McDowell, at Danville.

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The opening article in the June *Century* (western number) is "The Vitality of Mormonism," by Ray Stannard Baker, *Lansing*, '89; and to the same number William Allen White, *Kansas*, '90, contributes a story, "A Pilgrim of the Wilderness." The June *Cosmopolitan* contains a well illustrated article, "The Staging of a College Play," by Roscoe Crosby Gaige, *Columbia*, '03, author of the lyrics in "The Isle of Illusia," the 1904 Columbia University comic opera.

THE CHAPTER GRAND—ADDENDUM,

JAMES BROWNLEE SANFORD, SYRACUSE, '92.

Too late for previous account in this number is the news of the death of Bro. James Brownlee Sanford, *Syracuse*, '92, which occurred early in March at Denver. Dr. Sanford's life was eventful and full of achievement. After leaving college he taught school in Virginia and Texas. He edited and published for two years *The Advertiser* at Peabody, Massachusetts and afterward the *Gulf Messenger*, at San Antonio, Texas. Later he was graduated from the medical department of Baltimore University and soon established himself with a large practice at Castle Rock, Colorado. A year and a half ago he removed to Denver, where his great abilities as a sur-

geon were recognized in his employment as such by several railroads. In other ways he attained distinction. In 1902 he was elected to the house of representatives of Colorado, was chosen speaker and for a while was acting governor. He was recognized as a wise counselor and thus was brought into contact with the prominent men of the state and nation, among them President Roosevelt, whose personal acquaintance he enjoyed. He traveled extensively and was very recently accorded the rare honor of election to membership in the Royal Geographical Society of London. He was an active member and president of the Denver alumni club and was devoted to Phi Delta Theta. A public funeral was held in his honor, which was attended by prominent representatives of the medical profession, the state government and fraternal societies. In his death we have lost a splendid Phi and a distinguished career has been abruptly ended.

JAMES FARRINGTON GOOKINS, WABASH, '64.

In a letter dated February 2, 1904, Bro. J. F. Gookins called our attention to the acrostic which appears on page 481 of this number of THE SCROLL. Since that page was printed we have learned with profound sorrow of his death. He died from a stroke of apoplexy in New York City, May 24.

James F. Gookins was born Dec. 30, 1840. His father was the Hon. Samuel B. Gookins, of Terre Haute, Ind., sometime a justice of the supreme court of Indiana. At the breaking out of the civil war Bro. Gookins was a student at Wabash College, which he left to enlist as a private in the 11th Indiana volunteer infantry. Later he was volunteer aide-de-camp on the staff of Maj.-Gen. Lew Wallace. During the war he was war artist for *Harper's Weekly*.

After the war he was married to Miss Cora Donnelly of Terre Haute. Having a marked taste for drawing and painting, he went to Europe, where he studied art for several years, and he was war correspondent of *Harper's Weekly* during the Franco-Prussian war, 1870. Returning from Europe, he located at Indianapolis, where, with another artist, he opened, in the Ingalls block, the Indiana School of Art, the first art school known in that city, and which was the foundation of the art sentiment that in late years has become so marked there. He was connected with this school from 1876 to 1878. He was then chosen as secretary of the soldiers' and sailors' monument association, which position he held a year or more. About 1880 he moved to Chicago. His home during recent

years has been at 5625 Madison avenue. He was a civil engineer as well as an artist, and latterly he was connected with the Central Construction Company. He leaves a widow and two children—Shirlam D. and Marguerite. After cremation in New York City, his ashes were brought to Terre Haute for burial.

As mentioned on page 481, Bro. Gookins was the designer of the first coat-of-arms of $\Phi\Delta\Theta$. The design was made in December, 1865. Previous to that time the badge was simply the shield, on which an eye and a scroll bearing $\Phi\Delta\Theta$ was engraved. A sword was then added, and thereafter both shield and sword were worn. The blazon of the arms was incorporated in the constitution of 1871. Bro. Gookins attended alumni meetings in Chicago, and in many ways evinced his warm attachment for the fraternity. He took a great interest in "The History of Phi Delta Theta," now in press, and contributed to it many interesting details.

WALTER B. PALMER.

ERRATA.

William Fletcher Lewis, died in 1902, not 1901, as printed on page 501. We would be glad to be informed, for publication in the October SCROLL and in the next edition of the catalogue, as to the exact dates of death of Harry Garden Foltz, *Cornell*, '92; August Christian Sapper, *Illinois Wesleyan*, '92; Karl Winfield Mayne, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '93; William Frederick Gilmore, *Iowa Wesleyan*, '94; Joseph Thomas Kretzinger, *Knox*, '73; William Judah Frisbee, *Lombard*, '60; Byron Pontius, *Lombard*, '75; William Erastus Gay, *Mercer*, '04; William Fletcher Lewis, *Ohio*, '79; James Brownlee Sanford, *Syracuse*, '92; Henry Mericle Galpin, *Syracuse*, '05; Granville Sharp Pattison Stillman, *Wisconsin*, '59.

BANQUET OF NEW ORLEANS AND TULANE PHIS.

In an interesting letter from Bro. W. A. Steen, of Lumberton, Mississippi, we have learned of the successful banquet of the New Orleans alumni club and the Tulane chapter on April 28. Although about thirty Phis had agreed to be present, the number who attended was twenty-two. The alumni club was first reorganized with Bro. F. P. Johnson, *Amherst*, as president; Bro. W. S. Slack, *Sewanee*, secretary; and Bro. H. B. Gessner, *Tulane*, treasurer. These are brothers of fine executive ability, under whose management the club

ought surely to prosper. Plans for a permanent meeting place were made. The support of the club was pledged to the active chapter, and it was agreed to celebrate Alumni Day regularly each year. In the banquet room of Galatoire's was held a delightful dinner. Bro. Slack, who is rector of a local parish, acted as toastmaster. Everyone was called upon and responded with a speech. Bro. Steen says that like the Seattle Phis the New Orleans brothers were fortunate in having an Amherst brother and that it was a happy coincidence that one of the moving spirits in each of the alumni meetings farthest from Massachusetts was an Amherst man. Bro. Johnson is now a curate at Christ's Church, New Orleans. Bro. Steen says he never attended a more enthusiastic meeting of Phis. The room was beautifully decorated with the fraternity colors, and a large Phi Delta Theta flag, contributed by Mrs. Slack, hung over the toastmaster's chair. Phi reminiscences were indulged in until a late hour, those narrated by Bro. Slack being particularly enjoyable. Those in attendance were: Bros. Gesner, Fortier, Allison, Scudder, Dr. H. Tebault, Grantland Tebault, B. Crump, H. Crump, Kernian, Crippen, Edmonson, Martin, Lewis, G. Upton, J. Upton, Hinton, Smith, Howcutt, Steen, Johnson, Slack and Robinson.

WEDDINGS.

BASSETT-KINNEY.

The wedding of Bro. Carroll Phillips Bassett, *Lafayette*, '83, to Miss Margaret C. Kinney, took place recently in Grace Episcopal Church, Newark, New Jersey. Mrs. Bassett is the second daughter of Mrs. Estelle C. Kinney and of the late Thomas T. Kinney. Bro. Bassett is a civil and sanitary engineer at Summit, New Jersey. To the older Phis he is well known for his distinguished service as president of Alpha Province, 1881-84; secretary of the General Council, 1884-86; and president of the General Council, 1886-89. His sister is the wife of that splendid minister and the delightful toastmaster at the New York convention, Bro. John Balcom Shaw, *Lafayette*, '85. The wedding ceremony was performed by the Rt. Rev. W. C. Doane, bishop of Albany, an uncle of the bride. The wedding was beautiful in all of its appointments.

LEMLY-MORRISON.

Invitations have been issued by Mrs. Robert Morrison to the marriage of her daughter, Miss Mary Morrison, to Mr.

Thomas Mitchell Lemly, of Jackson, Mississippi, on June 9, 1904, in the Presbyterian Church at Fulton, Missouri. Miss Morrison is well known to the fraternity as the lovely daughter of our beloved founder and as the exemplar of a beautiful womanhood. She was the guest of the New York Convention where she was affectionately regarded as the worthy representative of her lamented father. The fortunate gentleman deserves our sincerest congratulations, and to Miss Morrison all Phi Delta Thetas will extend their very happiest wishes.

DELTA PROVINCE CONVENTION.

On May 13 and 14 the Phi Delta Thetas of Delta Province met in convention with the Ohio Wesleyan chapter at Delaware, Ohio. The pleasant home of Ohio Beta was the headquarters for one of the best attended and most successful assemblies ever held in the province. Among the prominent guests were Father John W. Lindley, *Miami*, '50; John B. Ballou, T. G. C.; and Charles S. Hoskinson, *Ohio Wesleyan*, '89, the province president. President J. E. Brown was prevented from attending by the recent death of his mother. The presence of Father Lindley was a memorable feature of the convention. All were rejoiced to note that time was dealing gently with him and his presence was greatly appreciated. The total attendance was sixty-six, every chapter except Ohio Theta being represented.

At the roll call each delegate gave a brief statement of affairs in his chapter. These reports showed great prosperity in the chapters and in the institutions in which they are located. The minutes of the convention will be duly printed and sent throughout the fraternity. On Friday evening, May 14, Ohio Beta gave a formal reception in honor of her guests. On Saturday, after the business session, they enjoyed two inter-collegiate baseball games and in the evening the convention was closed with an elaborate dinner at the Hartman Hotel in Columbus. The banquet cards were beautifully designed, the front cover being embossed with a striking medallion of the coat-of-arms. The following was the toast list:

Toastmaster, Lowry F. Sater, *O. S. U.*; "Our Founders," J. W. Lindley, *Miami*, '52; "Fraternity and the Church," Rev. S. S. Palmer, *Wooster*, '87; "The General Council," John B. Ballou, *Wooster*, '97; "The Chapter House," U. W. Clark, *Michigan*, '04; "Fraternity and Politics," Emmet

Tompkins, *Ohio*, '72; "Phi Spirit," H. E. Metcalf, *Case*, '05; "The Phi Delta Theta Girl," M. D. Prugh, *Miami*, '05; "The Phi on Leaving College," C. F. Anderson, *O. W. U.*, '04; "Fraternity and Citizenship," C. S. Hoskinson, *O. W. U.*, '89.

CHARLES S. HOSKINSON.

EPSILON PROVINCE CONVENTION.

Epsilon Province met in convention at Indianapolis, on Friday, April 29, 1904, being entertained by the Indianapolis alumni club. The meeting was a memorable success. Those in the fraternity who have had the privilege of attending a fraternity convention entertained by the Indianapolis alumni, know how thoroughly enjoyable was the whole affair.

An extract from the *Indianapolis Journal* of the next day follows:

"One of the most important meetings ever held in Indianapolis is now in session, the annual meeting of the Epsilon Province of the Phi Delta Theta. This fraternity is one of the strongest Greek letter societies, and numbers among its members some of the most prominent men of this state and section of the country.

The first meeting of the convention was held Friday afternoon at the Hotel English, but little important business was transacted. After this meeting all of the delegates and a number of attending alumni gathered on the monument steps for a group picture.

In the evening between 200 and 300 members of the fraternity attended an elaborate banquet given by the Indianapolis alumni at the Columbia Club. A number of prominent members of the fraternity were present, among them John Edwin Brown, of Columbus, Ohio, national president; F. J. R. Mitchell, of Chicago, secretary of the General Council, and William H. Hays, president of the Epsilon Province. On each banquet table appeared an insignia of a college in Indiana that has a chapter of the fraternity. One of the tables was called the "candidates' table," and at this table was seated Hugh T. Miller, Fasset A. Cotton, Judge John V. Hadley, Robert Brown and many members of the legislature. This table was draped in the national colors and in the colors of the fraternity.

The toastmaster for the banquet was Hilton U. Brown. Those who responded to toasts were: A. C. Harris, "The College and Public Life;" John Edwin Brown, "The Future of Phi Delta Theta;" Eljiro Takasugi, "The Land of the Rising Sun;" W. H. Hays, "The Phi Delta Theta Girl;" M. E. Foley, "The Fraternity Man as a Citizen;" M. A. Morrison, "Auld Lang Syne." Each toast was applauded to the echo by the enthusiastic banqueters."

Each chapter in the Province was represented by two delegates and from two to fourteen active men, together with many alumni, coming from all over the state. It was a gala day for Epsilon Province.

WILL H. HAYS.

SUMMER ADDRESSES.

A list of all obtainable summer addresses of chapter reporters is here given to facilitate correspondence during the vacation:

Quebec Alpha—John A. McDonald, 118 Durocher St., Montreal, Canada.

Maine Alpha—R. B. Young, 71 Elm St., Waterville, Maine.

New Hampshire Alpha—H. B. Loder, Thelford, Vermont.
Massachusetts Beta—Robert J. Bottomly, 12 Lowell St., Worcester, Mass.

New York Beta—Marcus H. Elliott, 67 Demorest Ave., Englewood, N. J.

New York Delta—W. B. Benham, 415 West 117th St., New York City.

New York Epsilon—Edwin R. Miller, 602 Crouse Ave., Syracuse, N. Y.

Pennsylvania Alpha—E. Graham Wilson, 3411 Baring St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Pennsylvania Gamma—Horace W. Davis, Sharon, Pa.
Pennsylvania Delta—Bruce Wright, 662 Highland Ave., Meadville, Pa.

Pennsylvania Epsilon—Carl F. Gehring, Carlisle, Pa.
Pennsylvania Zeta—Charles E. Goodin, Bingham House, 11th and Market Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.

Virginia Gamma—R. P. Gravely, Leatherwood, Va.
Tennessee Alpha—Adolphe F. Nye, 17 Garland Ave., Nashville, Tenn.

Tennessee Beta—Wyatt Brown, Sewanee, Tenn.
Alabama Beta—Charles G. Dillard, Jr., Huntsville, Alabama.

Ohio Alpha—Howard S. Smith, Oxford, Ohio.
Ohio Gamma—John Preston, Athens, Ohio.

Indiana Theta—Walton Vaile, 301 14th St., Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Michigan Alpha—Eugene T. Hammond, 813 Washington Ave., Lansing, Mich.

Illinois Alpha—Robert Baird, 2018 Orrington Ave., Evanston, Ill.

Illinois Beta—A. R. Nowels, 640 East 60th St., Chicago.
Illinois Delta—K. D. McClelland, 656 N. Prairie St., Galesburg, Ill.

Illinois Zeta—Clyde P. Gingrich, 131 Main St., Galesburg, Ill.

Illinois Eta—F. W. Cutler, 842 N. Main St., Champaign, Ill.

Wisconsin Alpha—George S. Pritchard, Aurora, Ill.

Minnesota Alpha—E. C. Parker, 1272 County Road, St. Anthony Park, Minn.

Missouri Gamma—A. R. Skinker, 4263 McPherson Ave., St. Louis.

Kansas Alpha—Frank T. Bangs, Lawrence, Kansas.

Nebraska Alpha—Charles Stuart, 1906 D St., Lincoln, Nebraska.

Colorado Alpha—Edward T. Lannon, Boulder, Colorado.

Washington Alpha—W. W. Phillips, 4542 14th Ave., Seattle, Wash.

In the absence of other special summer addresses it is presumed that letters may be sent to the addresses given in the regular directory. See May *Palladium* for dates of fall openings at the various institutions.

INSTALLATION OF PENNSYLVANIA THETA.

In accordance with notice previously given, Pennsylvania Theta was duly installed on the evening of Tuesday, May 10. On the previous evening the charter members had been subjected to preliminary tests by resident Phis and Bro. R. Y. Stuart, *Dickinson*, '03. Bro. Arthur M. McCrillis, H. G. C., *Brown*, '97, had charge of the ritualistic work, being assisted in this by Bros. I. L. Foster, *Brown*, '93; C. T. Aikens, *Gettysburg*, '86; P. O. Ray, University of *Vermont*, '98; L. P. Wyman, *Colby*, '96; J. M. Cooper, *Lafayette*, '05; C. S. Forkum, *State*, '05; J. Dallas, *State*, '05. When the requirements of the ritual had been satisfied, Bro. McCrillis presented the charter to the new chapter with a few well chosen words of advice. The company then proceeded to the dining room where they were regaled with a feast of seasonable viands. After the satisfying menu had been thoroughly discussed with the accompaniment of varied conversation, Bro. Foster as toastmaster called upon the following brothers to whom toasts had been assigned: C. T. Aikens, *Gettysburg*, "Our Bond;" P. O. Ray, *Vermont*, "Our Motto;" A. M. McCrillis, *Brown*, "Our Province;" John Dallas, *Pennsylvania State*, "Our Chapter;" J. M. Cooper, *Lafayette*, "Our Ideals." The remarks in every case were witty and instructive, bristling with helpful advice to the new members. Words of encour-

agement were also spoken by Bros. Wyman and Forkum. It was early morning before the party broke up to greet with a rousing Phi Delta Theta cheer the other fraternities in the town. The installation festivities closed with a reception to the faculty on the afternoon of the eleventh and a dance in the evening of the same day. Both were successful in every way and enjoyed by all who participated.

The chapter starts off under most favorable auspices with the good will of all in the college. It was a great disappointment to us that no more of our sister chapters in the state sent delegates, but we feel that they are with us and were detained by good reasons. To all appearances there is no cloud upon the horizon of Pennsylvania Theta and her future seems assured beyond peradventure of doubt. We wish thus publicly to express our thanks to all who have contributed to the establishment and installation of the chapter, and in her behalf would send greetings to all our brothers in the Bond.

After the installation Bro. Leroy W. Cooper, '05, was elected reporter and other permanent organization effected.

IRVING L. FOSTER, *Brown*, '93.

PHI DELTA THETA WEEK AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

JULY 11 TO 18.

Headquarters at the Hotel Hamilton, Corner Hamilton and Maple Avenues.

Acting upon a suggestion of the editor of *THE SCROLL*, the Phi Delta Theta club of St. Louis, has undertaken to select a particular week during the summer for Phi Delta Theta men to visit the World's Fair. Other fraternities have appointed national conventions to meet in St. Louis during the Fair, but Phi Delta Theta has deemed it inexpedient to do so. It has been felt, however, that the World's Fair offers too good an opportunity for Phis to get together to be missed, as undoubtedly there will be large numbers of Phis intending to visit the Fair during the summer, and many of them without any particular choice as to the time to come. The idea was to select, through the St. Louis alumni club, an advantageous time, procure a desirable hotel for headquarters, and through *THE SCROLL* and *Palladium*, and otherwise, to invite all Phis

intending to visit the Fair to be present during "Phi Delta Theta Week."

This idea has been carried out. The St. Louis alumni club has taken up the matter with pleasure. The week of July 11th to 18th has been appointed "Phi Delta Theta Week," and arrangements have been made with the Hotel Hamilton for headquarters, and quarters for visiting Phis. It is not proposed to have any sort of formal program for the week, and the St. Louis Phis will not consume any of the time of the visiting brothers by attempting to entertain them in the conventional way. It is appreciated that they will be here to see the Fair, and they will be allowed to do so. The committee appointed by the St. Louis alumni club for the occasion has occupied itself therefore with the questions of (1) a time and (2) a hotel.

The week of July 11th to 18th is for local reasons the first week after the close of all the colleges at all feasible, and it is believed that more men will be able to come then than at any other time. An additional advantage is that the Democratic National Convention meets in St. Louis the previous week, and it will be possible to take in both events in one visit.

The committee selected the Hotel Hamilton by unanimous choice, and regard it particularly well suited to the purpose. The Hamilton is a permanent hotel, constructed of brick, stone and iron, and has been in successful operation for a year or more. It is an up-town hotel, located in a residence district in the western part of the city, within fifteen minutes' walk of the main entrance to the World's Fair grounds, while street cars passing its doors reach the grounds within three minutes. The rate to Phi Delta Theta men will be \$2 per day, European plan, and reservations for Phi Delta Theta week will be accepted by the hotel management up to June 20th. The Hamilton has established a reputation for good service, and has all the conveniences of a comfortable hotel, including a well-appointed cafe. The Hotel Hamilton is at the corner of Hamilton and Maple avenues, and is reached by the Page, Easton and Suburban street car lines.

To reach the Hamilton: From Union Station, where all trains arrive and depart, take any car north on 18th street to Washington avenue (five blocks), transferring there to the Page car going west, which passes the hotel door.

For particulars in regard to rooms, reservations, etc., communications should be sent direct to the manager of the Hotel Hamilton. Particular care should be taken to make reservation of rooms by June 20th.

The committee acting for the St. Louis Alumni club is as follows:

Royall H. Switzler, chairman; Alan Caldwell, Walter Fischell, Alexander R. Skinker, Roy A. Campbell, George Randolph, Clemens E. Glasgow, Samuel E. Eliot, George L. Allen, Jr., E. Glion Curtis.

Special: While there are to be no formal gatherings, reports, discussions or committee work, there will certainly be times appointed during the week for all Phis in the city, resident as well as visitors, to get together for a good time. Announcement of time and place of such occasions will be made in due season.

R. H. SWITZLER.

INTER-FRATERNITY COURTESY.

It is part of the pride and tradition of a fraternity man to be a gentleman; not only to be above anything dishonorable or mean, but to possess those finer instincts which are supposed to come from birth and breeding—kindness and gentleness and unconscious courtesy. It is with the latter we are concerned.

It is possible that the members of a chapter may all be gentlemen and yet the chapter itself have the reputation of snobbishness. It takes but little to earn such a reputation; a too evident exclusiveness, a single breach of college or fraternity etiquette, and a chapter is stamped, and unpleasant it is to have such a reputation; on the other hand, to be recognized as big and broad and open-minded is well worth working for; to be thought well of means much to a chapter's self-respect and happiness, and the straightest means to this end is uniform, impartial, thorough inter-fraternity courtesy.

Inter-fraternity courtesy has its foundation in inter-chapter courtesy. There are few, if any, of our chapters who are not within reach of at least one neighboring chapter, and it is good to get together, not once in a while, but often; an occasional formal rush meeting or smoker is not enough. There are a hundred ways that our chapters located close together can practice the gentle art of courtesy. A joint dance

can be given, a baseball or football game arranged—sports of all kinds are great levellers of formality—members of each chapter can make a point of “just dropping in” on their nearest neighbor for the evening or the night, and you may be sure they will find a hearty welcome. One cannot overestimate the help and inspiration one chapter can be to another. Chapters should be friends; and their friendship, if real, will broaden and cheer and encourage the fraternity life of all; and the strength of this friendship depends more than we realize upon the heartiness and sincerity of the courtesies exchanged.

A natural result of this will be to extend the same courtesy to members of all fraternities. We believe that in colleges where such a system is in vogue will be found the healthiest and highest fraternity life. It is so easy to antagonize. And there are times in the college year when the struggle is close, and feelings are deep; when we suspect much, and possibly are suspected of more, and then it is that *courtesy* means something. True, when we stand alone, with that feeling that someone has been unjust, has done us an ill turn, we are stronger; but we are strongest when, ignoring the slight, we rise above it with the same good word and open handshake for all that we had before.

Chapters of Greek letter fraternities live too close together, have too nearly the same ideals, have too much *work* in common, to live in anything but harmony. It is not “soft” to congratulate a rival chapter upon getting a man whom we have lost; it is not weak to have good friends in other fraternities; it is not bad form to include sometimes in our invitations to spreads and smokers gentlemen who wear colors other than the gold and blue. And by all this we are the gainers for we are practicing simple gentlemanliness.

Our own lives are stronger and broader for the ties that bind them to other chapters and to other fraternities. Of course we are happy together and loyal to each other, but to isolate a chapter is to take from it its breadth, to take away its usefulness. There are other strong fraternities. We may learn much from them. But to gain from them we must give to them. Try it—give a smoker and invite a “fraternity crowd,” and after it give a yell for them all, and see if your college isn’t dearer to you, and your own fraternity nearer to you than before.—EDSON S. HARRIS in *Δ Y Quarterly*.

CONVENTION CITY CHANGED TO INDIANAPOLIS.

The national convention, November 21-26, 1904, will be held in Indianapolis instead of in Atlanta. This decision has just been reached by the general council for reasons that fully justify it. Indianapolis is an ideal convention city and our invitation to meet there comes enthusiastically from the 186 alumni residing there. The fraternity may well anticipate a thoroughly delightful and successful convention in Indianapolis.



PHI DELTA THETA BADGES

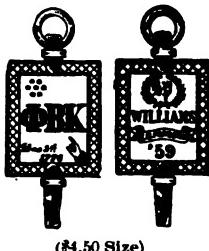
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THE HISTORY OF THE PHI DELTA THETA FRATERNITY.

THE FIRST GREEK-LETTER SOCIETY.

The first American secret society with a Greek-letter name was Φ B K, which dates from the year of the Declaration of Independence. It was founded at William and Mary College, the *alma mater* of Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe, the wealthiest and, Harvard excepted, the oldest educational institution in the United States. Williamsburg, the seat of the college, was also the seat of government in Virginia from 1700 to 1780.

December 5, 1776, in the eighty-fourth year of the college, Φ B K was organized by five undergraduates—John Heath, Richard Booker, Thomas Smith, Armistead Smith, John Jones. At this meeting “a square silver medal was agreed on.” It bore the letters “Φ B K”; in the upper left, three stars; in the lower right, a hand pointing to the stars; on the reverse the letters “S P” in a script monogram, with the date, “December 5, 1776,” below. The badge was intended to be worn suspended by a cord, which ran through a ring, extending from the middle of the upper side.* The Latin words suggested by “S P” have been variously rendered, “Science and Philosophy,” or “Society of Philosophers,” or “Philosophical Society.” At the second meeting, January 5, 1777, the following “oath of fidelity” was adopted:

I, A. B., do swear on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God, or otherwise as calling the Supreme Being to attest this my oath, declaring that I will, with all my possible efforts, endeavor to prove true, just and deeply attached to this our growing Fraternity, in keeping, holding and preserving all secrets that pertain to my duty, and for the promotion and advancement of its internal welfare.

At this meeting the oath was administered to the five persons above mentioned and to four others; after which officers were chosen—Heath, President; Booker, Treasurer; Thomas Smith, Clerk. A “Code of Laws,” consisting of twenty-four resolutions, was adopted, March 1. Some of them follow:

That in every design or attempt, whether great or small, we ought to invoke the Deity, by some private sacrifice or devotion, for a fraternal prosperity.

* “Tradition informs us that the badge was originally worn on a ribbon about the neck of the owner.”—“The Cyclopædia of Fraternities.”

That no gentlemen be initiated into the Society but collegians, and such only who have arrived at the age of sixteen years, and from the Grammar Master upwards; and further, before his disposition be sufficiently inspected, nor then without the unanimous approbation of the Society.

That every person, after being initiated, pay into the public treasury the sum of six shillings.

That every member, after being properly initiated, shall be obliged to furnish himself with a medal, wholly corresponding with those of the Fraternity.

That the youngest on the roll be appointed Herald, for the function of convocating the members.

That the non-attendance of any single member, unless by some certain obstructing inability or cogent necessity, subjects him to the penalty of five shillings.

That four members be selected to perform at every session, two of whom in matters of argumentation, and the others in apposite composition.

That such of the compositions as are deemed worthy by the Society shall be carefully preserved, and endorsed by whom and at what time delivered.

That for the encouragement of any new invention of arts and sciences, some premium be allowed from the public treasury.

That if any dispute, attended with animosity and indignation, should arise amongst us, such a matter ought to be recognized by a session of the whole Society.

That the least appearance of intoxication or disorder of any single member by liquor, at a session, subjects him to the penalty of ten shillings.

That no member shall be expelled without the unanimous concurrence of the Society.

From time to time amendments were made to the resolutions, and several new ones were added. At first meetings were held monthly, then fortnightly, then weekly, then fortnightly again. Among subjects debated were the following:

Whether agriculture or merchandise is most advantageous to a state? Whether Brutus was justifiable in having his sons executed? Whether a wise state hath any interest nearer at heart than the education of youth? Whether an agrarian law is consistent with the principles of a wise republic? Whether anything is more dangerous to civil liberty in a free state than a standing army in time of peace? Whether parents have the right to prevent the marriage of children after entering into contract? Whether the institution of ostracism was legal? Whether commonwealths or monarchies are most subject to seditions and commotions? Whether a general assessment for the support of religious establishments is or is not repugnant to the principles of a republican government? Whether theatrical exhibitions are advantageous to states or ye contrary? Is a public or private education more advantageous? Had William, the Norman, a right to the crown of Great Britain? Whether the execution of Charles the First was justifiable? Whether any form of government is more favorable to public virtue than a commonwealth? Whether ye rape of ye Sabine women was just? Whether religion is necessary in Government? Whether in civil war any person is justifiable in remaining neuter? Whether dueling ought to have a toleration in this or any other free state? Whether all our affections and principles are not in some measure deducible from self love? Whether polygamy is a dictate of nature or not? Whether avarice or luxury is more beneficial to a republic? Whether Brutus was justifiable in killing Cæsar? Whether a man in extreme want is justifiable in stealing from his neighbor to relieve his present necessities?

The initiation fee was raised, August 22, 1778, to \$5; June 27, 1779, to \$10. Fines also were increased. September 23, 1780, five members were fined \$15 each for absence, and another, who failed to declaim, \$20. The depreciation of the currency, however, should be considered. The treasury, it seems, was always in good condition: June 27, 1779, it contained £21.19.8; August



THE OLD RALEIGH TAVERN AT WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA,

Where the ♦ B K Society held its annual meetings.

From the *William and Mary College Quarterly Historical Magazine*, April, 1896.

12, 1780, £27.4.8, while £24.17.0 was in arrears. December 5 was celebrated every year as "that glorious day which gave birth to this happy union". Older members who had left college returned to the anniversary exercises, which were held in the Apollo room of the Raleigh Tavern, famous in colonial history, and "the night was spent in jollity and mirth". The following was adopted November 21, 1778:

WHEREAS, the members of this Society are willing to take under their care objects worthy of charity,

Resolved, that Messrs. Hardy & Cocke be appointed to look out for some orphan likely to receive advantage from being put to a proper school, & make their report of the same to the ensuing meeting.

The records do not show whether or not the Society provided an education for any orphan. December 10, 1778, it was

Resolved, that in future admissions to this Society be not confined to collegians alone.

January 23, 1779, it was

Resolved, that in future members be elected and expelled by ballot, and that it be performed by the words *Pro & Con.*

February 27, 1779:

The form of initiation instituted by the committee was read and resolved upon. The laws revised by a committee appointed for that purpose were read and received universal approbation. A letter was received from our worthy brother, Mr. John Stuart, in which was enclosed twelve shillings, which was to purchase a Testament for the Society, but as the Society had been presented with one from Mr. John Nivison, it was put into the treasury.

April 19, 1779:

Mr. Bowdoin being about to depart for Europe, requested the company of the Society at the Raleigh, where he gave them a very elegant entertainment. After many toasts suitable to the occasion, the evening was spent by the members in a manner which indicated the highest esteem for their departing friend, mixed with sorrow for his intended absence, and joy for his future prospects in life.

November 13, 1779:

It is hereby declared a future law of this Society that a standing Vice-President be appointed who shall have the same powers, in the absence of the efficient President, that is given by law.

May 4, 1779:

It being suggested that it might tend to promote the designs of this Institution, and redound to the honor and advantage thereof at the same time, that others more remote or distant will be attached thereto,

Resolved, that leave be given to prepare the form or ordinance of a charter-party, to be entrusted with such two or more brothers of the Φ B K, as to a general meeting shall, on due application for the same, be thought to merit such a trust; with delegated power, in the plan and principles therein laid down, to constitute, establish and initiate a Fraternity correspondent to this, and that a committee be appointed of Mr. President, Mr. Stuart, and Mr. Beckley, to prepare a draft of the same and report at next meeting.

The committee reported a form of charter-party, June 12, and it was adopted, July 5. The Society granted to Samuel Hardy a charter for "a meeting to be called the Βῆτα," July 10, 1779; to William Stuart a charter for a meeting (chapter) to be called the Γαμμα, July 11, 1779; to William Cabell a charter for a meeting to be called the Δέλτα, August 14, 1779. The locations of these meetings are not known, nor is it known whether they were really organized. However, it is probable that one of them was organized at Hampden-Sidney College, Virginia, and that the other charters were issued for meetings in towns or counties in Virginia. Elisha Parmale, a graduate from Harvard,* was initiated, July 31, 1779, and through him meetings were established at Harvard and Yale. December 4, 1779, a charter-party was granted authorizing him to institute at Cambridge, "in ye State of Massachusetts Bay," a meeting to be called the Εποιλόν. December 5, 1779, it was

Resolved, that so much of Mr. Parmale's petition as relates to ye establishment of a Phi: Society to be conducted in a less mysterious manner than the Φ B K be not agreed to, as ye design appears to be incompatible with the principles of this meeting.

December 9, 1779, the following was adopted:

WHEREAS, this Society is desirous that the Φ B K should be extended to each of the United States,

Resolved, that a second charter be granted to our brother Mr. Elisha Parmale, for establishing a meeting of the same in the College of New Haven in Connecticut, to be of the same rank, to have the same power, and to enjoy the same privileges with that which he is empowered to fix in the University of Cambridge. To be called the Ζῆτα.

March 11, 1780, a charter-party was granted to John Beckley to establish the Η̄τα at Richmond; May 18, 1780, one was granted to George Lee Turbeville to establish the Θ̄ητα in Westmoreland

* "Young Parmale went to Yale and remained there until college work was broken up by the war. He then went to Harvard, which had got a-going again after a similar suspension. In this transfer of his college relations appears the reason why he afterwards established branches of Φ B K in both the great northern colleges. He graduated at Harvard in 1778. . . . The poor fellow was already in delicate health, being constitutionally consumptive. He went at once to Virginia and engaged himself there as a teacher. I think very likely he was a tutor in William and Mary College".—E. E. Hale, in *Atlantic Monthly*, July, 1879.

County. If the Beta, Gamma, Delta, Eta and Theta were really instituted, probably none of them survived the original chapter. The approach of a British fleet caused the suspension of William and Mary College. The last minutes of the Society, dated January 6, 1781, say:

A meeting of Φ B K was called for the purpose of securing the papers of the Society during the confusion of the times & the present dissolution which threatens the university. The members who attended were William Short, Daniel C. Brent, Spencer Roane, Payton Short & Landon Cabell. They, thinking it most advisable that the papers should not be removed, determined to deliver them sealed into the hands of the College Steward, to remain with him until the desirable event of the Society's resurrection. And this deposit they make in the sure & certain hope that the Fraternity will one day rise to life everlasting and glory immortal.

The college buildings were occupied alternately by the British, French and American troops, 1781, and while used as a hospital by the latter, the President's house and a wing of the main building were burned. Presumably the records of Φ B K were delivered to the college steward and by him to Landon Cabell, who returned to college, 1783, but nothing was generally known as to what became of them until 1848, when Dr. R. H. Cabell, son of Landon Cabell, delivered them to the Virginia Historical Society.

During the four years, one month and one day that Φ B K existed originally at William and Mary, it admitted an even half hundred members. Though young, many of them served in the Continental Army. Seventeen were in the Virginia House of Burgesses or Senate or both, most of them for several terms, and eight were members of the Convention which ratified the Federal Constitution. Five were members of the National House of Representatives, and two of the United States Senate—S. T. Mason, Senator from Virginia, and John Brown, Senator from Kentucky. The first President of the Society, John Heath, was in the House of Burgesses at barely twenty-one, and ten years later in Congress. William Short, the last President of the Society, became *Charge d'Affaires* in France, Minister to Holland and Commissioner to Spain. Bushrod Washington became Associate Justice of the United States; he was the favorite nephew of George Washington, and, after Mrs. Washington's death, he inherited Mount Vernon. The most noted of the fifty was John Marshall, who became Chief Justice of the United States.

Φ B K was restored at William and Mary, 1849. It was found that the last President, William Short, was still living, ninety-two years old. The main college building, accidentally burned, 1859, was rebuilt, 1860. On account of the civil war, college exercises were suspended, 1861. During the occupancy of Williamsburg by the Federal forces, the main building was burned again, 1862. The walls, erected 1693, were once more built upon, and the college was re-opened, 1867; but, on account of financial

embarrassments, it was closed again, 1881. The General Assembly having begun to make annual appropriations, the college was reopened, 1888. Congress, 1893, appropriated \$65,000, as an indemnity for damages sustained by the college during the war between the States. The two-hundredth anniversary of the college was celebrated, 1893, and at the same time the parent chapter of Φ B K was revived a second time. The Virginia Historical Society delivered the records of Φ B K to the chapter at William and Mary, 1895. Edited by L. G. Tyler, President of the college, they were published in the *William and Mary College Quarterly Historical Magazine*, April, 1896.

The minutes of the meeting on December 4, 1779, called the chapter to be established at Harvard "Ἐποιλόν. However, it appears that the President, William Short, proposed that a more liberal charter be granted for this chapter than had been granted for the Virginia chapters, so that the Harvard chapter, instead of being "Ἐποιλόν, would be the "Αλφα of Massachusetts Bay, with power to establish subordinate chapters in Massachusetts. It is probable that this was first suggested by Elisha Parmale; at any rate the charter which he received for Harvard declared that it was "repugnant to the liberal principles of Societies that they should be confined to any particular place, men or description of men; and as the same should be extended to the wise and virtuous of every degree and of whatever country," therefore, a charter was granted to Parmale, in order that, "at the University of Cambridge", he might establish "a Fraternity of the Φ B K, to consist of not less than three persons of honor, probity and good demeanor, which shall be denominated the "Αλφα of Massachusetts Bay." The charter further provided—

Above all you are to be careful to promote friendship and union among one another, as well as to bring it forth in a communion with us here, so far as it may be practicable and convenient. That the Code of Laws herewith transmitted, being the laws of the Φ B K, "Αλφα Society, or such of them as the Society shall approve, be considered as conclusive and binding, and, except in cases where local convenience alone may make it necessary, are not to be altered or liable to innovation. That you, by this Charter, be invested with the privilege of the Meeting "Αλφα of Virginia, in granting charters for the establishment of other meetings anywhere within the State of Massachusetts Bay, which meetings are to stand in the same relation to you that the Junior branches of this Society stand in to the meeting of the "Αλφα here.

The charter also provided that "the form of initiation and oath of secrecy" should be "those prescribed by the law and none other;" that "the arcana of this Society be held inviolate;" that "the token of salutation be the same with that used here," that each member should wear a medal like one accompanying the charter, "without any alteration whatever;" that the new Alpha, on its "foundation day" every year, should transmit to the mother Alpha a list of its members, with their places of abode, noting officers

and members initiated since the last return; that all correspondence should be through the Presidents of the two Alphas, using a cipher which accompanied the charter; * and that the mother Alpha retained the right of enacting laws for "the general welfare" of the whole Society, and the power of legislation "in cases considered as constitutional." The charter bore the seal of the Society and the signatures of nineteen members. The charter for establishing a chapter at Yale was similar. Elisha Parmale returned to the North, and under his direction the Alpha of Connecticut was organized, November 13, 1780, the Alpha of Massachusetts, September 5, 1781.†

The original chapter being suspended, the Yale and Harvard chapters joined in establishing the Alpha of New Hampshire at Dartmouth, 1787. These three chapters formed the Society for thirty years. The next chapter was the Alpha of New York, established at Union, 1817. Bowdoin received a charter, 1824, and Brown, 1830, after which there was an interval of fifteen years without extension. Trinity and Wesleyan received charters, 1845; Western Reserve, 1847; Vermont, 1848.

Owing to the prejudice against such societies aroused by the anti-Masonic excitement, which began 1826,‡ the secrets of Φ B K were exposed to the public, 1831. It then transpired that the Greek letters were the initials of "Φιλοσοφία Βίου Κυβερνήτης,"

*The following table, containing all the letters of the alphabet, was used in secret correspondence:

N	Z	A	O	C	V	B	P	X	D	W	Q	V
R	E	U	F	M	G	T	H	S	L	I	K	J

† See "Four Years at Yale," by L. H. Bagge; "Yale College: A Sketch of its History," by W. L. Kingsley; "The History of Harvard University," by Josiah Quincy.

Elisha Parmale became pastor of a church at Lee, Mass., 1783, and a year later was granted leave of absence on account of failing health. He came to Virginia, his wife accompanying him, but died in Shenandoah County, the summer of 1784, aged twenty-nine.

‡ A great anti-secret society agitation began after the mysterious disappearance of William Morgan. He was a member of the Masonic Fraternity, but had taken offense because his name was omitted from the charter-list of a new lodge. In a spirit of spite, he wrote a book, which it was said would reveal the secrets of Freemasonry, and engaged D. C. Miller, a printer at Batavia, N. Y., to publish it. The printing office was set on fire by an incendiary, but the fire was extinguished. Morgan was abducted from Canandaigua, N. Y., on the night of September 12, 1826, and, it was afterward learned, was taken to Fort Niagara, but his friends never saw him again. A year later a body was found near the mouth of the Niagara River, and many believed it was the body of Morgan, and that he had been drowned by Freemasons.—See "A History of the People of the United States," Volume V, 1821-1840, by J. B. McMaster.

Morgan's book was printed at Batavia, 1827. The Masonic Fraternity suffered severely from the great outcry that was raised against it, and, during the next few years, hundreds of lodge warrants were surrendered. The excitement spread from Western New York throughout the State, and an anti-Masonic political party was formed in New York, Pennsylvania, New England and elsewhere. This party was a factor in the campaigns of 1828, 1830 and 1832. W. H. Seward, Millard Fillmore, Thurlow Weed and Thaddeus Stevens first appeared in politics as anti-Masonic leaders. J. Q. Adams was an anti-Masonic and Whig candidate for Congress and was elected, 1830. In a national convention of the anti-Masonic party, 1832, William Wirt, of Maryland, was nominated for President, and Amos Ellmaker, of Pennsylvania, for Vice-President. They were largely supported in several States, but carried only Vermont.



Obverse.



Reverse.

ANCIENT PHI BETA KAPPA SILVER MEDAL.

From the *William and Mary College Quarterly Historical Magazine*, April, 1896.



Obverse.



Reverse.

MODERN PHI BETA KAPPA GOLD WATCHKEY.

From the *William and Mary College Quarterly Historical Magazine*, April, 1896.

translated, "Philosophy is the guide of life."* After this Φ B K became merely an honorary college society, membership being conferred as a reward for scholarship.[†]

The badge was modified from the form of a medal to the form of a watchkey; instead of being square it was elongated, and the

* The influence of J. Q. Adams and Judge Joseph Story, Edward Everett and others was sufficient to cause the members at Harvard to make public exposure of the secrets. Edward Everett was sent to Yale to induce the chapter there to take similar action, and was successful in his mission.

[†] After a series of exciting meetings held in Boston, under the eager pressure of John Quincy Adams, from whose diary most of the history of the transaction can be learned, the Harvard Alpha voted to remit all obligations of secrecy. Since that time, July 1831, anybody who has chosen to know has known what the letters Φ B K mean."—E. E. Hale in *Atlantic Monthly*, July, 1879.

"The sign of a Phibetian prior to 1831 was made by placing two fingers of the right hand over the left corner of the mouth and drawing them across the chin. His grip was made by locking the hands, without clasping the thumbs, at the same time pressing the wrists; and his word was the motto for which the letters Φ B K stood."—"The Cyclopaedia of Fraternities."

"In the various northern colleges, Φ B K took upon itself different forms of activity. The society at Yale made efforts to keep up a literary communication with Harvard, but failed; its real life was confined to its local membership. Attempts were made to found a periodical and establish a fund for indigent students; these efforts also were doomed to failure. The Yale chapter was in reality a select debating society, with initiation suppers, where 'the juice of Bacchus flowed.' Regarded with great jealousy by outsiders, its records were twice stolen during its early history. The annals of the Φ B K are famous for a long series of orations and poems. The anti-Masonic excitement in 1830 caused the abandonment of the secret features of the Order at both Yale and Harvard. . . . Since 1830 the membership of Φ B K had been almost exclusively an honorary distinction granted to the best scholars of the senior class."—"Student Life and Customs."

material was changed from silver to gold. The obverse contains the letters "Φ B K"; in the lower right, an index pointing to a cluster of stars in the upper left; in the lower left, "Dec. 5th, 1776." The reverse contains "S P," in old English, within a wreath at the top; below, the name of the college, the name of the owner and his class. These changes were made probably soon after the Society was established in the North.

Twelve chapters sent delegates to the centennial of the Harvard chapter, 1881. A constitution was adopted for "The United Chapters of Φ B K," 1882. It provides for a National Council (convention) to meet every third year. The Secretary of the United Chapters, Rev. E. B. Parsons, D. D., issued, 1897, a pamphlet: "Phi Beta Kappa: Officers, Constitution, Minutes, Etc., of the United Chapters; Officers, Customs, Statistics, Etc., of the Forty Chapters." It quotes S. L. Woodford as saying in his Φ B K address at Columbia, 1886, that the Society was probably suggested by the philosophic clubs which were common among collegians in France and other European countries during the eighteenth century. It says that "S P" was interpreted, "*Societas Philosophie*" by twelve chapters, "*Societas Particeps*" by nine, "*Societas Philosophica*" by seven, "*Societas Philosophorum*" by two, "*Signum Principium*" by two; while three chapters furnished three additional forms: "*Salus Patriæ*," "*Scientia et Prudentia*," "*Scientia et Philosophia*." It says also that the number of stars on the Φ B K key varied, three chapters using three stars (the original number), and all others using more—five, six, seven, nine, ten, and one chapter using thirteen. It also notes much diversity among chapters as to conditions of admission to membership. Some chapters admit members in junior year, or even earlier, some at the beginning and some at the end of senior year. Some, holding to their "reserved rights," admit one-third of each class (those ranking highest in scholarship), while others admit from one-fourth to one-fifteenth. In the chapters at Harvard, Williams and other colleges there are "no initiation, no secrecy," while "some chapters call for a pledge of secrecy and a promise to help brothers in distress, like the great Order which has sent its phraseology through all college fraternities." In many chapters the President makes an address to the initiates, and pledges them to encourage "friendship, morality and literature;" after which he communicates to them the grip and explains the symbols; and then all older members present give them the grip and extend congratulations. At Yale the President reads the constitution, the initiates signify assent to it by uplifted hands, and he recites a Latin formula admitting them to the Society. At Johns Hopkins "the oath is a slight dilution of the somewhat strong waters of the original Φ B K oath of 1776."

The United Chapters has "a committee on the uniformity of customs and methods of procedure—elections, initiations, keys,

etc.—and on various matters of semi-confidential character relative to the Society." A handbook and catalogue of $\Phi\ B\ K$, issued by Dr. Parsons, 1900, shows that then there were fifty chapters (including one established at Vassar, 1898) and nearly 11,000 living members. According to "American College Fraternities," the total membership in 1898 was 19,334, living and dead.

THE INTER-COLLEGIATE FRATERNITY SYSTEM.



PHI BETA KAPPA.

About the middle of the eighteenth century, students at Yale, Harvard and Princeton began to form associations, which were intended mainly for intellectual improvement. Literary societies or debating clubs became common in all American colleges. Most of them had a secret character, more or less. Usually two were organized at each institution, and they divided between them the entire body of students. They flourished in eastern colleges until

about the middle of the nineteenth century, when their popularity waned, as the Greek-letter fraternities became more widely extended and more firmly established. In western and southern colleges literary societies continued to flourish until a later time, and they still have considerable prominence in the South.*



KAPPA ALPHA.
(Northern.)

* "The earliest society the record of which has been preserved was the Crotonian Society of Yale, which had a brief existence, and made way for Linonia, the oldest permanent society, and the Brothers in Unity (1868). Contemporaneous with Crotonia and Linonia at Yale were the Plain-Dealing and Well-Meaning Clubs of Princeton. A fierce rivalry, involving the interchange of scurrilous pamphlets, led to their suppression by the faculty. A year after this action, were founded the American Whig and Cliosophic Societies, the most venerable and powerful of college debating clubs in America, and the only organizations of this early period which still survive in their original capacity. During the middle decades of the eighteenth century, the Harvard faculty took particular pains to improve the public speaking of the students, a move which led to the formation of speaking clubs. The Calabogus Club was organized as early as 1758, the Whitefield Club in 1759. We are left to conjecture the programmes of these early societies. The Institute of 1770, the most famous of the debating clubs of Harvard was founded by John Phillips, John Warren and other members of the class of 1771."

"It was the wave of political interest produced by the Revolution which made the debating society for fifty years the strongest force in American student life. . . . While secrecy of meetings was a recognized principle with all the early literary societies, this feature was a distinctly minor one. The same may be said of initiation ceremonies; they were merely incidental and without special significance. Many of the societies adopted badges, colors and mottoes. . . . Another form of society activity was the society libraries, which were frequently valuable supplements to the regular college library, which was likely to be weighed down with theological and Latin tomes."

"Another important element was the rivalry between the two societies which divided student interest. They competed in the selection of members, in the size of their libraries, and in the distribution of college honors. The feeling was usually one of bitter antagonism and jealousy. Attempts made at Amherst and elsewhere to combine the work of the two societies into one harmonious whole uniformly failed. When only one society had been formed, it invariably split in two rival factions as soon as numbers permitted. The bitterest hostility occurred at the beginning of the year in the struggle for new men. At Yale a systematic campaign was undertaken: runners were sent to the preparatory schools to pledge sub-freshmen; committees of students haunted the trains, the New Haven depot and the hotels, in search of new students. The campaign culminated in the statement of facts, a public meeting in which the orators from each society extolled the virtues and eulogized the departed heroes of their own organization, while pouring contempt and ridicule on their opponents. At Amherst on such occasions the whole college became the scene of exasperating strife: study was encroached upon, and personal hostilities were excited which did not die away

Φ B K, founded at 1776, remained the society until 1821, when was founded at Yale. never developed into

The origin of the society system may be establishment by **Φ B K** College.† This was still had a secret character. appeared at Union, 1825. It called itself **K A**, and outwardly at least it was an imitation of **Φ B K**. It was a secret, social



PHI DELTA THETA.



PHI KAPPA PSI.

KAPPA ALPHA.
(Southern.)

THETA DELTA CHI.

with the occasion. The historians of Williams, Dartmouth and Bowdoin give similar testimony. In some colleges the faculty interfered, and apportioned new men to the societies by some impartial method of allotment. Even this could not put a stop to intrigue and factional fights.

"The early debating society was one of the great interests of the student world; its meetings were eagerly anticipated, and its exercises considered to be of much greater importance than the regular recitations of the college, a belief strengthened by the sympathetic attitude of the faculty. We have the testimony of a hostile critic that the champions of the debating hall were held in greater esteem by their fellow-students than the men who gained the traditional college honors for proficiency in their studies. The athlete had not yet arisen as a college hero, so the orator and writer represented the ideals of the academic youth."

"Such a condition of affairs was not destined to endure. A new organization, appealing more directly to the interests and sentiments of youth, entered the field, and the debating society lost ground before it. The fraternity struck the older association at its weakest point. About 1830 the debating societies, through increase of numbers, began to be unwieldy, and in consequence a victim to factional contests. In some colleges cliques for controlling elections in the literary societies had crystallized into formal clubs before the appearance of the fraternities. The fraternity greatly hastened this tendency to dissolution; the debating society became the arena in which rival fraternities or secret and non-secret societies fought for the supremacy. The literary exercises were neglected while rival factions struggled for the offices. The new organizations became the centre of interest while the old societies died slowly. The process did not take place in all the colleges at the same time. The conflict in the eastern colleges began as early as 1840, and by 1850 the old societies had become merely a tradition."—*"Student Life and Customs,"*

* "The object of **X Δ Θ** was to compliment and encourage literary as distinct from scholastic ability. About a fourth of the senior class, including all the 'good writers,' were annually elected to it and met fortnightly in one of the Lyceum lecture rooms. . . . **X Δ Θ** died out in the class of 43 or '44, having had only a nominal or honorary existence—like that of **Φ B K** at the present time—in several previous classes."—"Four Years at Yale", 1871.

X Δ Θ was revived at Yale, 1868, at the suggestion of one of the editors of the *Vale Literary Magazine*, "the oldest college periodical", and its membership has since been confined to that editorial board.—See "Four Years at Yale" and "American College Fraternities."

A branch of **X Δ Θ** was organized at Amherst, receiving a charter from the society at Yale, 1850. It was established by juniors, and membership was restricted to juniors and seniors. It was "purely literary in character and strictly secret." It disbanded 1845. "A prominent cause of its decline was the introduction of other societies, which gradually absorbed the interest of the students."—*"Student Life at Amherst"*.

† See "The First Greek-Letter Society," *The Scroll*, February, 1880, and "The Development of the Fraternity System," *The Scroll*, October, 1880, by W. B. Palmer.

The English spelling of the Greek letters is given below for the benefit of those who may not have studied Greek.

Α Alpha.	Ε Epsilon.	I Iota.	N Nu.	P Rho.	Φ Phi.
Β Beta.	Ζ Zeta.	Κ Kappa.	Ξ Xi.	Σ Sigma.	Χ Chi.
Γ Gamma.	Η Eta.	Λ Lambda.	Ο Omicron.	Τ Tau.	Ψ Psi.
Δ Delta.	Θ Theta.	Μ Mu.	Π Pi.	Υ Upsilon.	Ω Omega.



DELTA KAPPA EPSILON.



PSI UPSILON.



PHI GAMMA DELTA.



Pi Kappa Alpha.



SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON.



DELTA PHI.



ALPHA TAU OMEGA.



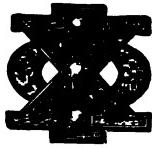
DELTA PSI.



SIGMA CHI.



PHI KAPPA SIGMA.



CHI PHI.



DELTA UPSILON.



CHI PSI.



ZETA PSI.



PHI SIGMA KAPPA.



SIGMA PHI.



ALPHA DELTA PHI.



PHI PHI PHI.



KAPPA SIGMA.



DELTA TAU DELTA.



BETA THETA PI.



SIGMA NU.

organization with a Greek-letter name. Presumably K A stood for a secret Greek motto, as did Φ B K. Members of Φ B K had a secret grip and secret signs of salutation and recognition, and so unquestionably had members of K A. Φ B K had a cipher, and so possibly had K A. Φ B K had a form of initiation and an oath of secrecy, and so undoubtedly had K A. The members of K A, like the members of Φ B K, were restricted to upper classmen. K A had a square badge, which was suspended from one corner, instead of from the middle of one side, as was the square badge of Φ B K. Later the badges of both societies were changed to the form of a watchkey. K A also adopted the Φ B K system of entitling chapters by the names of the States and the Greek letters in order. Φ B K had regular literary exercises at its meetings.



DELTA DELTA DELTA.



ALPHA PHI.



GAMMA PHI BETA.



KAPPA ALPHA THETA.

KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA.
PI BETA PHI.

DELTA GAMMA.



NU SIGMA NU.



THETA XI.



PHI DELTA PHI.



Q. T. V.



THETA NU EPSILON.



PHI CHI.

Whether K A had or not is unknown, but it is well known that A ΔΦ, founded 1832, was quite literary in character.*

K A was followed by the organization of ΣΦ and ΔΦ at Union in 1827; A ΔΦ at Hamilton, 1832; ΨY at Union, 1833; ΔY at Williams, 1834;† R Θ II at Miami, 1839; X Ψ at Union, 1841; ΔKE at Yale, 1844; ΔΨ at Columbia, 1847; ZΨ at the University of the City of New York (now New York University), 1847; ΦΓΔ at Jefferson (now Washington and Jefferson), 1848; ΘΔX at Union, 1848; ΦΔΘ at Miami, 1848; ΦΚΣ at Pennsylvania, 1850; ΦΚΨ at Jefferson, 1852; XΦ at Princeton, 1854;‡ ΣX at Miami, 1855; ΣAE at Alabama, 1856; ΔTΔ at Bethany, 1860; ATΩ at Virginia Military Institute, 1865; K A (Southern Order) at Washington (now Washington and Lee), 1865; KΣ at Virginia, 1868; ΠKA at Virginia, 1868; ΣN at Virginia

* "ΦBK and XΔΘ must be considered preparatory to the modern fraternity movement, which may be said to date its origin from the organization of the KA Society at Union College in 1825. KA in its external features was an imitation of ΦBK, but the tie between its members was a much closer one."—*Student Life and Customs*.

† An anti-secret society, sometimes called the "Social Fraternity", sometimes the "Equitable Fraternity", was organized at Williams, 1834. Negotiations looking to a union with similar societies was begun, 1840, and the "Anti-Secret Confederation" was formed, 1847. A monogram of the letters Δ and T was chosen as the badge, 1858, but the name ΔT was not incorporated in the constitution until 1864. The convention of 1881 eliminated "anti-secret" from the constitution, substituting "non-secret".

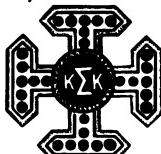
In *The Century*, October, 1887, C. S. Robinson, XΨ, Williams, '40, said that when he was in college the Social Fraternity combined with anti-secret associations in other colleges. Their delegates in convention adopted a constitution, which provided that the name of the organization should be the "Anti-Secret Society of the United States". At an open meeting, held in the college chapel, the constitution was read, and there was an explosion of laughter from Robinson, at the reading of a clause providing that the badge should display the initials of the society's name in raised letters of gold. Cries of "Put him out" were answered by him, "Strike, but hear"; and then he explained that there appeared to be some incongruity in such noble and scholarly men wearing on their bosoms the great golden letters "A S S." The convention did its work better by changing the name of the society to the Anti-Secret Confederation.

"Since 1860, the anti-fraternity feature of ΔT has for all practical purposes disappeared, and its methods and practices are identical with those of the other fraternities, except for the fact that its constitution is open to the public. For many years it was regarded with contempt by the secret fraternities, but of late this feeling has largely disappeared."—*Student Life and Customs*.

‡ A constitution for a society was found at Princeton, 1854; it bore the numerals "1824", and XΦ claimed 1824 as the year of its establishment, but the names of no members initiated previous to 1854 are known.—See *The Scroll*, January, 1881; March-April, 1884; October, 1880; April and October, 1890.



PHI SIGMA.



KAPPA SIGMA KAPPA.



DELTA KAPPA.



ALPHA SIGMA CHI.



MYSTICAL SEVEN.



W. W. W. OR RAINBOW.

Military Institute, 1869; $\Phi \Sigma K$ at Massachusetts Agricultural College, 1873; $\Phi \Phi \Phi$ at Austin, 1894; $\Lambda \chi P$ at Trinity (Conn.), 1895, and $M \Pi \Lambda$ at Washington and Lee, 1895. A number of fraternities have died out or been absorbed by others. Those here named are all the men's inter-collegiate fraternities that are mentioned in the last edition of "American College Fraternities" and that are now in active existence.* It may be noticed that nearly all of them were founded at comparatively small colleges, and nearly all at institutions located in small college towns.

Three fraternities were founded in 1848— $\Phi \Gamma \Delta$ at Jefferson, April 22; $\Theta \Delta X$ at Union, June 5; $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ at Miami, December 26. In no other year have so many fraternities been founded. $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, therefore, is a member of what might be called "the triad of 1848", as well as a member of "the Miami triad". Excluding the venerable honorary Society, $\Phi B K$, and not counting the Anti-Secret Confederation, which did not adopt the Greek-letter name ΔY until 1858, $\Phi \Delta \Theta$ was the thirteenth of general Hellenic orders.

A society for ladies called the I. C. Sorosis was founded at Monmouth, 1867. It established a chapter at Iowa Wesleyan, 1868, and one at Indiana Asbury (now De Pauw), 1870. It suggested the founding of the ladies societies $K \Lambda \Theta$ and $K K \Gamma$, 1870, the former at Indiana Asbury, the latter at Monmouth. I. C. changed its name to $\Pi B \Phi$, 1888. Other sororities are: $\Delta \Gamma$, founded at Mississippi, 1872, $\Lambda \Phi$, Syracuse, 1872; $\Gamma \Phi B$, Syracuse, 1874; $\Delta \Delta \Delta$, Boston, 1888.

$\Theta \Xi$ was founded at Rensselaer, 1864; Q. T. V. at Massachusetts Agricultural College, 1869. The first, called an engineering-

* Twenty-four inter-collegiate secret societies now inactive are mentioned in the last (1868) edition of "American College Fraternities."

The woodcuts of the badges here shown, excepting those of $\Phi \Delta \Theta$, ΔK , $\Phi \Sigma$ and $K \Sigma K$, appeared in "American College Fraternities", and were kindly loaned by the author, W. R. Baird. The six cuts in the last group show the badges of defunct fraternities. $\Lambda \Sigma X$ and Mystical Seven were absorbed by $B \Theta \Pi$; $\Phi \Sigma$ and $K \Sigma K$ by $\Phi \Delta \Theta$; two of the active chapters and the dead chapters of $W. W. W.$ by $\Delta T \Delta$, and two of its active chapters by $\Phi \Delta \Theta$.

scientific fraternity, is confined to technological institutions or scientific departments of universities; the latter, called an agricultural-scientific fraternity, to agricultural colleges or scientific departments. $\Phi\Delta\Phi$, a law fraternity, founded at Michigan, 1869, has been followed by a numerous brood of what are termed professional fraternities, among them: $N\S N$, medical-regular, founded at Michigan, 1882; $\Delta\S\Delta$, dental, Michigan, 1882; ΦX , pharmacy, Michigan, 1883; $A X \Omega$, musical, De Pauw, 1885; $A E I$, medical-women's, Michigan 1890; ΔX , law, Cornell, 1891; $\Phi A \Gamma$, medical-homeopathy, New York Homeopathic College, 1894. There is also an inter-collegiate sophomore society, $\Theta N E$, founded at Wesleyan, 1870. Several fraternities have prohibited their members from uniting with it, and certain chapters of other fraternities have taken similar action.

College fraternities are older than most secret orders in America. Freemasonry dates from 1717, and was introduced from England to America, 1730. Oddfellowship, originating in England about 1745, was introduced into the United States, 1819. The United Ancient Order of Druids, founded in England, 1781, was brought to this country, 1834. The Ancient Order of Hibernians, founded in Ireland in the eighteenth century, was established here, 1836. The Ancient Order of Foresters, originating in England about 1813, was introduced here, 1832. The Improved Order of Red Men originated here, 1834. All other prominent secret orders—as the Knights of Pythias, Grand Army of the Republic, Ancient Order of United Workmen, Royal Arcanum, Modern Woodmen of America, Independent Order of Good Templars, Knights of the Maccabees, Patrons of Husbandry, Foresters of America, Knights of Honor, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, etc.—are younger than $\Phi\Delta\Theta$.*

MIAMI UNIVERSITY.

A patent to 311,682 acres of land between the Great Miami and Little Miami Rivers was granted by President George Washington to John Cleves Symmes, 1794.[†] It provided that thirty-six sections (six miles square) of the grant should be held in trust for establishing and maintaining an academy. Ohio was admitted to the Union, 1803; and, agreeably to an act of Congress, 1803, the legislature in that year appointed commissioners to locate the aca-

* See "American College Fraternities," 1879, 1883, 1890, 1898; "The Cyclopædia of Fraternities," 1890.

[†]Symmes paid the Government two thirds of a dollar per acre for this land.

The tract constituting what is known as "The Symmes Purchase" comprised the present cities of Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton. It embraced Hamilton, Butler, Preble and Montgomery Counties and possibly Warren. Along the Ohio River it extended from the Little Miami, about twenty miles above Cincinnati, to the Big Miami, about the same distance below that city."—"Life of Gen. Ben Harrison," by Gen. Lew Wallace, 1888. The same book mentions that Judge Symmes (who had been a Justice of the Supreme Court of New Jersey) established his residence at North Bend, Ohio, and that one of his daughters, wedded to William Henry Harrison, was a grandmother of Benjamin Harrison.

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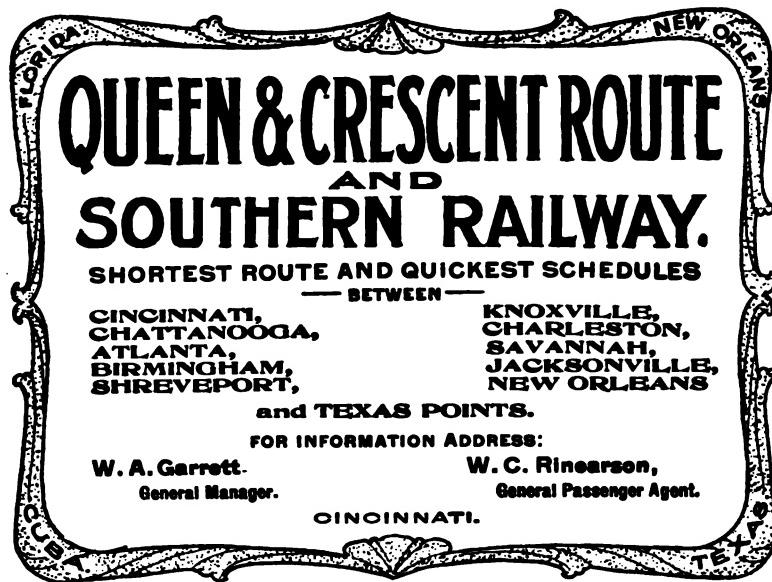
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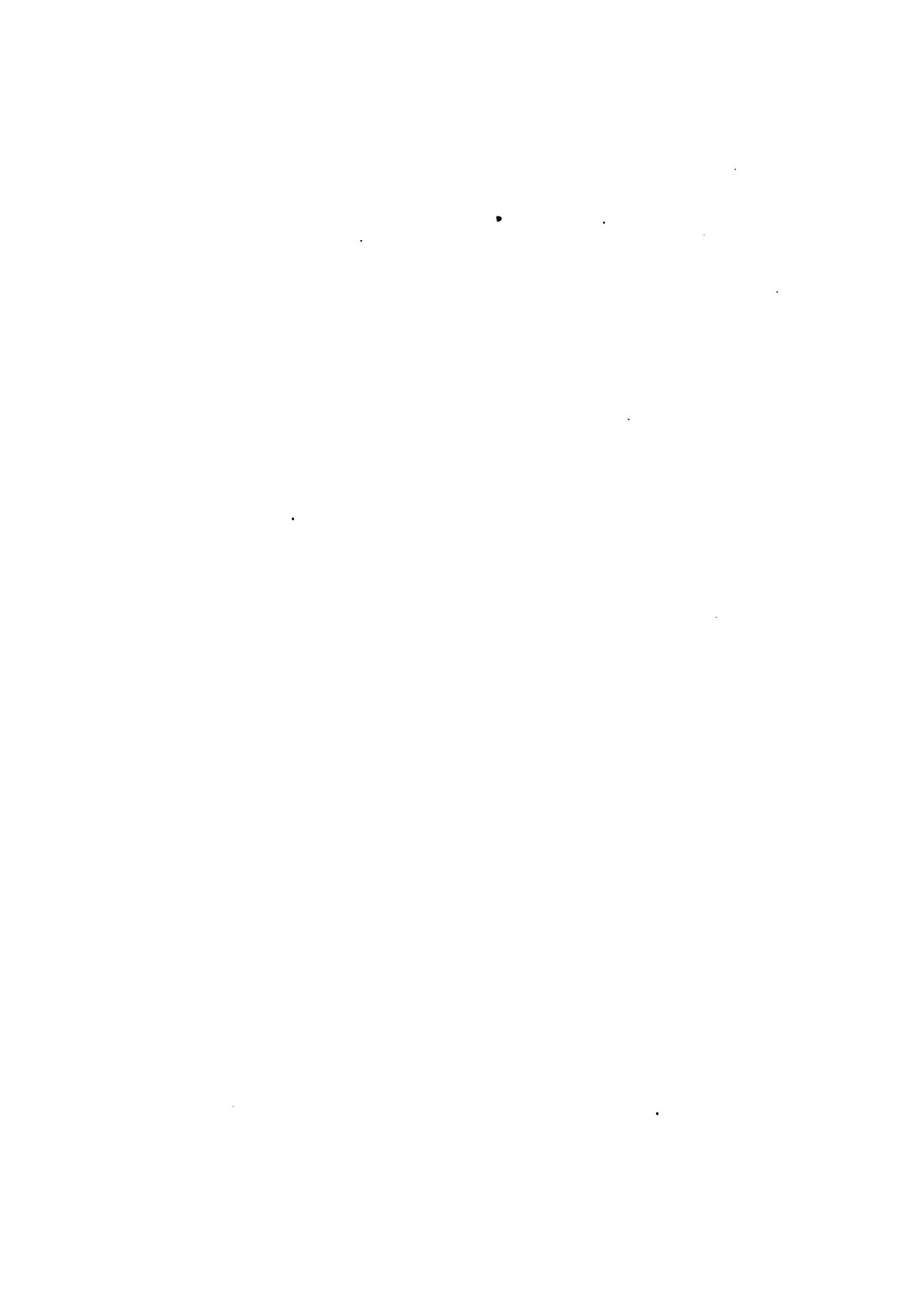
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